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Years on Circuit	Year he began to travel.	MINISTERS AND THEIR RESIDENCES.
	1854	Haney, T., Local Elder, Aylmer.
2	1859	Hamilton, T., Porter's Hill.
5	1855	Hill, R. N., Huntsville.
1	1857	Holmes, E., Mount Forest.
1	1864	Henderson, W., Ingersoll.
	1874	Hogg, D., Milford.
2	1867	Hall, W., Berkley.
	1871	Hall, T., supernumerary, Chatsworth.
	1858	Hall, H., supernumerary, Arkwright.
2	1872	Husband, R. J., Holstein.
2	1873	Hughes, H., Dunnville.
1	1873	Henders, R., Lynden.
1	1873	Hackett, W., Delhi.
	1847	Jefferis, T. M., superannuated, Campbelford.
3	1860	Jackson, T., Kerwood.
3	1866	Jackson, G., St. Mary's.
2	1867	Johnston, R., Dunham, Ont.
	1849	Kimball, H. N., Local Elder.
1	1855	Kershaw, E., Gorrie.
2	1862	Kay, J., Tilsonburg.
1	1869	Kay, J. R., Hamilton.
1	1861	Leith, H., Northport.
	1861	Leaver, J. J. A., supernumerary.
	1872	Livingston, J., St. Mary's.
		Medlcraft, J., Superintendent of Missions, London.
1	1872	McCutcheon, T. L., Cayuga.
4	1850	McAllister, J., Kilbride.
	1852	Maguire, J., Walter's Falls.
1	1861	McKenzie, D. M., Lynden.
1	1861	Moss, W. H., Bartonville.
3	1866	McDiarmid, N. A., Chatsworth.
1	1866	McCann, W., Otterville.
1	1873	McKillop, A., Huntsville.
2	1867	Nugent, F. E., Goderich.
	1842	Ogden, T., superannuated, Frankville.
1	1861	O'Hara, J., North Augusta.
1	1860	Orme, J. H., Appin.
1	1870	Orme, T., Lifford.
	1849	Peck, W., Lansdown.
2	1847	Preston, W., Selton.
5	1863	Pitcher, J. T., Montreal, Box 646½.
1	1869	Philp, J., Belgrave.
1	1872	Philp, W., Oxford Mills.
1	1874	Pritchard, R. S., Waterford.
5	1846	Rolston, D. D., Outram.
	1837	Rump, T., superannuated, St. Catharines.
4	1864	Robinson, G., Lansdown.
2	1859	Richardson, G., Waterdown.
2	[illegible]	Rawson, J., Gesto.
		Rennie, T., Frankville.
		Savage, D., Connexional Editor, London.
		Seymour, J., superannuated, Aurora.

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According to appointment of the Annual Conference held at Dunnville, June 4th, 1873, the Conference met at Milton, May 20th, 1874.

QUESTION 1.—*Who compose the present Conference?*

ANSWER—As follows:

CAVAN DISTRICT.

Cavan.....	Rev. C. Shaw, A. Ferguson.
Manvers.....	E. Holmes, J. Grandy.
Clarke.....	J. O'Hara, T. Stanton.
Omemee.....	R. Walker, R. S. Pritchard.
Laxton.....	T. Rennie, J. Ford.

CAYUGA DISTRICT.

Cayuga.....	Rev. O. Whitcomb, J. Chrysler.
Dunnville.....	H. Hughes.
Haldimand.....	T. L. McCutcheon, R. A Havill.
St. Catharines...	W. W. Graham, W. D. Smith.
Caledonia.....	F. G. Weaver, John Senn.
Pelham.....	D. Hunsberger.

GODERICH DISTRICT.

Goderich.....	Rev. F. E. Nugent, R. McLean.
Goderich South..	T. Hamilton.
Ainleyville.....	A. Glazier.
Bodmin.....	R. J. Tyler.
Harriston.....	W. Willimott, K. M. Walton.
Howick.....	D. M. McKenzie, G. Strong.
Ashfield.....	J. Walker, J. F. Andrews.

HAMILTON DISTRICT.

Hamilton.....	Rev. W. Smyth, T. Mitchell.
Ancaster.....	J. Caswell, G. Jones.
Waterdown.....	G. Richardson, W. Watson.
Barton.....	F. Haynes, R. Bensley.
Galt.....	D. Smyth, Geo. Bunston.
Hespeler.....	W. Williams, G. W. Rife.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

Lansdown.....	Rev. G. Robinson, J. Redmond.
North Augusta...	W. Philp.
Oxford.....	P. W. Davis.
Crosby.....	J. Follick.
Kitley.....	A. McKillop.

LONDON DISTRICT.

London.....	Rev. G. Buggin, J. Plummer.
London North..	R. Smylie, J. A. Orme.
Melbourne.....	W. McCann, R. Brown.
Howard.	W. Preston, D. Field.
Talbotville.....	W. Henderson, T. Calcott.
St. Mary's.....	G. Jackson, J. Armstrong.
Adelaide.....	T. Jackson, T. Orme.
Ingersol.....	W. Birks, J. Evans.
Colchester.....	J. Rawson.

MILTON DISTRICT.

Milton.....	Rev. G. Brown, J. Brownridge.
Erin.....	D. Auld, A. Conboy.
Trafalgar.....	J. Gundy, A. Hall.
Nassagaweya....	J. C. Seymour.
Nelson.....	J. McAlister, J. Zimmerman.

MOUNT FOREST DISTRICT.

Mount Forest....	Rev. E. Kershaw.
Durham.....	R. Johnson, J. Banks.
Walkerton.....	S. F. Depew, H. W. Todd.
Artemesia & Osprey	J. Baskerville.
Vesta.....	D. D. Rolston, T. Tindall.
Lavender.....	A. Clarke, O. Decker.
Egremont.....	R. Husband, R. Bye.

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

Montreal.....	Rev. J. T. Pitcher, R. Irwin.
Dunham.....	A. M. Delong.
Bolton.....	H. Leith, L. D. Green.

Brome..... J. Fowkes.
Knowlton..... J. H. Fowler.

OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.

Owen Sound.....Rev. W. Tindall, A. Spears.
Holland..... N. A. McDiarmid, J. J. Mirriam
Holland East.... W. Hall.
Arran..... W. B. Danard, T. Nicholson.
Meaford..... H. Wilkinson.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.

Milford.....Rev. T. M. Jefferis, Geo. Williams.
Bay of Quinte.. N. S. Demill.
Hillier..... J. W. Cathcart, A. Saylor.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

Toronto.....Rev. R. J. Elliott, R. Wilkes.
Aurora..... T. L. Wilkinson, C. Doan.
Penville..... J. Shuttleworth, T. Greenaway.
Brock..... T. Fox, G. St. John.
Vernon..... R. N. Hill.

WATERFORD DISTRICT.

Waterford.....Rev. J. R. Gundy, A. B. Walker.
Alymer..... J. White, T. Matthews.
Middleton..... J. H. Orme, W. H. Taylor.
Bayham..... J. Elliott, J. H. Will.
Dereham..... J. Kay, B. Hopkins.
Norwich..... W. H. Moss, A. N. Tisdale.
Simcoe..... J. B. Goodspeed.

CONNEXIONAL OFFICERS.

REV. J. MEDICRATF,
General Superintendent of Missions.

REV. D. SAVAGE,
Editor of "Evangelical Witness."

QUESTION 2.—*Have the characters of our Ministers been examined?*

ANSWER—They have according to rule.

QUESTION 3.—*What preachers have been received into full connexion?*

ANSWER—R. J. Elliott, C. Teeter, and T. Rennie.

QUESTION 4.—*Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER—J. G. Fallis, A. Glazier, J. W. Cathcart, W. W. Graham, F. Delong, J. Fowkes, P. W. Davis,* who have travelled three years; N. B. Topping, R. J. Husband, T. Grandy, W. Philp,* J. Livingston,* A. M. Delong, T. L. McCutcheon,* who have travelled two years; W. Cunningham, W. Hackett, J. Boddy, R. Henders, A. J. Barltrop, A. Eley,* A. McKillopp,* who have travelled one year.

QUESTION 5.—*Who have been received on trial?*

ANSWER—T. Orme, R. S. Pritchard, S. Eddy.

QUESTION 6.—*Who have resigned?*

ANSWER—None.

QUESTION 7.—*Who are allowed to rest during the year?*

ANSWER—C. Barltrop, J. Walker, F. Haynes.

QUESTION 8.—*Who have died during the year?*

ANSWER—

JOHN WILKINSON.

Father Wilkinson, as we familiarly called him, was born in Bolton le Moores, Yorkshire, England, on the 23rd of February, 1803. His father, a tailor by trade, hoping to improve his circumstances, left his native

* *Subject* to the decision of the Board of Examiners who *will report* on these cases at the Adjourned Conference.

country in the year 1812, and came to the United States, where he remained for about seven years, but being more favorable to British than American rule he resolved to fix upon Canada as a home for himself and family. They consequently came to this country and settled in St. Catharines in the year 1819. Sometime during this year, John, then about sixteen years of age, was soundly converted to God, chiefly through the influence of a pious and devoted mother. He at once joined the Methodist Church, and soon after began to preach Jesus to his companions in the neighborhood of his home. In the year 1833, shortly after the formation of the Canadian Wesleyan Church, he offered his services and was accepted as a travelling preacher, and from the first he was in labors abundant for the glory of the Master and the conversion of sinners. He endured hardships and privations in the earlier years of his ministry as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, travelling thousands of miles over rough roads, and often through the trackless forest, was frequently in perils by day and night, yet he counted not his life dear unto him so that he might win precious souls to Christ. For many years he took a leading position in our Church, was several times Chairman of the District in which he travelled, and in the year 1845 he was elected President of Conference, a position which he filled with credit to himself, and entire satisfaction to the Church. At the Conference of 1864 he requested and received a superanuated relation, yet by no means relaxed his efforts as a preacher of the Gospel, but labored faithfully in the neighborhood adjacent to his home.

About two years ago his health began gradually to fail. On Saturday, January 10th, 1874, he was taken severely ill with a cold, and on Sabbath he was not able to leave the house. The physician was called in

but could give little hope of his recovery. He continued to grow worse until the following Friday, when he quietly and peacefully passed away.

As a man he was possessed of a robust and remarkably vigorous constitution, had a cheerful disposition, and a heart full of sympathy for men and love to God.

As a preacher he was sound, thoughtful and manly, often rising with the granduer of his theme into flights of impassioned eloquence, shrewd in debate, and withal possessed of pleasant humor. He was often in requisition as a platform speaker, and in the happiest manner delighted and profited his audiences. His whole life was a scene of toil and often trial—a worthy man, a good Christian and affectionate husband and father—he finished his course with joy and the ministry which he received of the Lord Jesus, and, like the patriarch of whom it was said, he "gave up the ghost and died in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was gathered to his people," he now enjoys the felicity of fellowship with the *saints* in *light*.

"O, what are all my sufferings here,
If, Lord, thou count me meet,
With that enraptured host to appear,
And worship at thy feet?"

SAMUEL BRADLEY GUNDY.

Our late beloved President was born in Portarlington, Ireland, January 5th, 1833. His intelligent and pious parents began as early as possible the work of his moral and religious training. The being, character and claims of God, with the rich provisions of the Gospel were unfolded to him, and urged upon his attention, and powerfully impressed upon his observant mind and tender heart, by constantly pure and beautiful acts of parental piety. The seed thus sown early produced fruit unto eternal life.

At a meeting held near Picton by his beloved father and the Rev. B. P. Brown, he was truly converted to God. He was then in his 17th year. Almost immediately he was called to act in the capacity of a local preacher, the duties of which office he performed with such acceptance and success that at the Conference of 1853 he was received into our itinerancy, and at the Conference of 1857 into full connexion amongst us.

At the Conference of 1873 he was called to fill the Presidential chair, thus receiving the highest honor the Connexion could confer upon him, and it is a general sentiment that never was that high position filled with greater dignity, urbanity, and ability. During his ministry he was stationed on some of our best circuits and stations, and everywhere inspired confidence, admiration, and love. He was a clear, forcible, often eloquent, preacher of the everlasting Gospel, a wise and loving pastor, and a faithful and prudent administrator of discipline.

He was under God instrumental in building up believers, and turning many sinners from the error of their ways, and many we doubt not will be stars in his crown of rejoicing in the day of the Lord Jesus.

In the latter part of last October he was seized with inflammation of the membrane of the brain, and gradually sank into typhoid fever, which resulted in death November 12th, 1873.

As his Christian life had been singularly pure, serene and beautiful, so his death was happy and triumphant. As he neared the better land, the glories of heaven began to burst upon his enraptured vision, and led him to exclaim, "What a delightful view is coming up, it is heaven itself. It will be heaven now forever. I am surrounded by glory, glory, glory." So passed away one of the most amiable of men, affec-

tionate of husbands, tender of parents, faithful of friends, and devoted of ministers. May the choicest blessings of heaven descend upon his bereaved partner and fatherless children.

QUESTION 9.—*How are the ministers stationed this year?*

ANSWER—As follows:

CAVAN DISTRICT.

Cavan.....H. Wilkinson, A. J. Barltrop.
Manvers.....C. Shaw, T. Orme.
Clarke.....P. W. Davis, to be ordained for special purposes.
Omemee.....R. Walker, T. Grandy.
Laxton.....J. A. Andrew, S. Eddy.
H. Wilkinson, Chairman.

CAYUGA DISTRICT.

Cayuga.....T. L. McCutcheon, under superintendence of H. Hughes.
Dunnville.....H. Hughes.
Haldimand.....To be supplied by H. Hughes.
Caledonia.....F. G. Weaver.
St. Catharines....W. W. Graham, T. Rump, superannuated.
Pelham.....R. J. Elliott.
F. G. Weaver, Chairman.

GODERICH DISTRICT.

Goderich.....F. E. Nugent.
Goderich South.....T. Hamilton.
Ainleyville.....R. J. Tyler.
Bodmin.....J. Philp.
Harriston.....W. Willimott.

Howick.....E. Kershaw, C. Currie, supernumerary.
Ashfield.....J. Caswell, J. Walker, superannuated.
J. Caswell, Chairman.

HAMILTON DISTRICT.

Hamilton.....J. R. Kay, J. Shaw, supernumerary.
Ancaster.....D. M. McKenzie, R. C. Henders,
J. Histon, superannuated.
Waterdown. ....G. Richardson.
Barton.....W. H. Moss, F. Haynes, superannuated,
Galt.....D. Smyth.
Hespeler.... .W. Williams, J. B. Williams, to supply for three months; D. M. McKenzie, Chairman, *pro tem.*
Wm. Williams, Chairman.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

Lansdown.....G. Robinson, Wm. Cunningham, J. C. Warren, superannuated; William Peck, T. O. Adkins, supernumeraries.
North Augusta....J. O'Hara, R. Garry, Local Elder.
Oxford.....W. Philp, under superintendence of J. O'Hara.

Crosby.....J. Follick.
Kitley.....T. Rennie, T. Ogden, supernumerary.
J. Follick, Chairman.

LONDON DISTRICT.

London.....G. Buggin, J. Medicraft, General Superintendent; J. Bell, superannuated.
London North.....R. Smylie, D. Savage, Editor *Evangelical Witness*.

Melbourne.....J. H. Orme.
Howard.....W. Preston, W. Webb, supernumerary.
Talbotville.....W. Birks.
St. Mary's.....G. Jackson, J. Livingston.
Adelaide.....T. Jackson.
Ingersoll.....W. Henderson.
Colchester.....J. Rawson.

W. Birks, Chairman.

MILTON DISTRICT.

Milton.....G. Brown.
Erin.....D. Auld.
Trafalgar.....C. Teeter.
Nassagaweya.....T. L. Wilkinson.
Nelson.....J. McAlister, J. G. Fallis.

J. McAlister, Chairman.

MOUNT FOREST DISTRICT.

Mount Forest.....E. Holmes.
Durham.....R. Johnston.
Walkerton.....S. F. Depew.
Artemesia.....J. Baskerville.
Vesta.....D. D. Rolston.
Lavender....A. Clarke, J. Crawford, supernumerary.
Egremont.....R. J. Husband, to be ordained for special purposes.

D. D. Rolston, Chairman.

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

Montreal.....J. T. Pitcher*
Dunham.....F. Delong, to be ordained for special purposes; J. Gear, Local Elder.

Bolton.....A. M. Delong, to be ordained for special purposes.

Brome.....J. Fowkes.

Knowlton.....J. H. Fowler, M. A.
J. T. Pitcher, Chairman.

OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.

Owen Sound.....Wm. Tindall; J. Scott, T. Hall, supernumeraries.

Holland.....N. A. McDiarmid; J. Maguire, supernumerary.

Holland East.....W. Hall.

Arran.....W. B. Danard; H. Hall, supernumerary.

Meaford.....A. Glazier.

Amabel Mission.....J. Boddy.
W. Tindall, Chairman.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.

Milford.....O. Whitcomb, D. Hogg; T. M. Jefferis, superannuated.

Bay of Quinte.....H. Leith; C. Barltrop, supernumerary.

Hillier.....J. W. Cathcart.
O. Whitcomb, Chairman.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

Toronto.....W. Smyth.

Aurora.....James C. Seymour; J. Seymour, superannuated,

Penville.....J. Shuttleworth.

Brock.....T. Fox, A. Eley; T. Cole, Local Elder; A. B. Demill, supernumerary.

Vernon Mission.....A. McKillop; R. N. Hill, to administer ordinances.

J. Shuttleworth, Chairman.

WATERFORD DISTRICT.

Waterford.....J. R. Gundy, R. S. Pritchard.
Alymer.....J. White; W. Bothwell, supernumerary
Middleton.....J. Gundy, W. Hackett.
Bayham.....J. Elliott..
Dereham.....J. Kay.
Norwich.....W. McCann.
Simcoe.....J. B. Goodspeed.

J. White, Chairman.

J. J. A. Lever left in the hands of Executive Committee.

N. B. Topping allowed to attend college for one year.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONFERENCE.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1. That the Rev. David Savage be President of the Conference.

2. That Robert Irwin, Esq., be Secretary of the Conference.

3. That the Rev. N. A. McDiarmid be the Recording Secretary.

4. That the Rev. Wm. Henderson be Conference reporter for the "Evangelical Witness."

5. That the Rev. W. Tindall be reporter for the Associated Press.

6. That Rev. A. Glazier be appointed Officer of Order.

7. That the Rev. J. T. Pitcher, J. Elliott and Bro. B. Hopkins be a Committee on Resolutions and Memorials.

8. That Revs. Wm. Birks, James White and Bro. G. W. Rife be a Committee on the Division and Increase of Circuits.

9. That Revs. J. B. Goodspeed, Thomas Jackson and Bro. Alex. Ferguson be a Committee on Ministerial, Probationers' and Circuit Testimonials, and Lists of Membership.

10. That this Conference having heard the credentials of Rev. J. H. Robinson read appointing him a deputation from the English Missionary and Annual Committees, entrusted by the last English Conference with the management of business relating to the Canadian Missions, accords him a hearty welcome

and will be pleased to have him participate in the deliberations of the Conference.

11. That the Rev. W. Webb, supernumerary, who has served this Connexion long and faithfully, together with Rev. J. Scott, W. Peck, Jos. Philp and Jos. R. Kay have accorded to them each a seat and voice in this Conference, subject to the ruling of the Chair.

12. That the memorial from Montreal Circuit be received and referred to the Committee on Memorials.

13. That the Rev. Wm. Philp and Bro. A. B. Walker be a Committee on Statistics.

14. That the resolution of the Goderich Distrtct Meeting in the case of Rev. John Walker, asking for him a supernumerary relation to this Conference be granted.

15. That the memorial from Clarke Circuit be referred to the Committee on Memorials

16. That the memorial from Rev. Charles Barltrop be referred to the Committee on Memorials.

17. That the report of the Committee on Memorials relating to an application from Montreal Circuit for the return of the Rev. J. T. Pitcher a fifth year be received and confirmed.

18. That the resolutions of the Hespeler Circuit, and Hamilton District Meeting on the same, be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

19. That a committee, consisting of Revs. D. Savage, W. Williams, John Kay, J. R. Gundy, T. L. Wilkinson, and Bros. B. Hopkins and R. A. Clement, be appointed to arrange for and complete the erection of a monument to the memory of our late esteemed brother, Rev. John Wilkinson.

20. That the resolution of Dunnville Circuit be referred to the Committee on Memorials.

21. That the Stationing Committee consist of Revs. H. Wilkinson, J. McAllister, D. Auld, and Bros. B. Hopkins and J. Evans.

22. That the question of the Moulton Church property, Dunnville Circuit, be referred to the Chairman of the District and Superintendent of Dunnville Circuit to examine title, registry, &c., and report the same to Executive Committee.

23. That the Chairman of the Leeds District and minister of North Augusta Circuit be a committee to enquire into the state of Smith Falls parsonage, and Marlboro parsonage, and counsel the Executive Committee how they may dispose of them to advantage.

24. That the Trustees of the Preston property be allowed to sell the unfenced portion of their lot for the purpose of reducing the debt on their chapel, in Preston.

25. That this Conference expresses its disapproval of applications for permission to sell Connexional property being made to its Executive Committee except in cases of the utmost urgency, and trusts that in ordinary circumstances such applications will be deferred until the meeting of Conference.

26. That the clause of the Executive Committee's report relating to the Dundas property be approved, and the proceeds of the sale of a church lot in Dundas, of which no use had ever been made, be used by the Connexional Treasurer for Connexional purposes.

27. That the special grants of the Executive Committee be adopted.

28. That owing to circumstances reported to this Conference a married probationer be sent to Clarke Circuit.

29. That the case of Rev. C. Barltrop be left in the hands of the Stationing Committee, with the recommendation that if his services can be dispensed with that he be allowed to rest for six months.

30. That the applications of Dunnville and Haldimand Circuits be referred to the Missionary Committee.

31. That the resolutions of Barton Circuit, and other similar resolutions, be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

32. That we hereby authorize Rev. J. Rawson to make any arrangements he can effect with the other claimants against our church property in Stayner, with a view to the sale of the same, and meeting the demands against it, and we hereby agree to such sale with the understanding that any balance that may be left shall accrue to our Chapel Fund.

33. That the sum of twenty dollars be granted to Rev. W. Birks for procuring supplies for Ingersoll Circuit during the past year.

34. That all candidates for our Ministry, received by this Conference, be received subject to the requirements of our work.

35. That Bro. Thomas Orme be received as a probationer in our ministry.

36. That Bro. R. S. Pritchard be received as a probationer in our ministry.

37. That Bro. J. Walker Shilton be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

38. That Bro. Samuel Eddy be received as a probationer in our ministry.

39. That the cordial thanks of this Conference be hereby tendered to John Dewar, Esq., barrister, for his opinion on a question submitted to him by this Conference in relation to church property.

40. That the resolution of Owen Sound District Meeting relating to Meaford Circuit be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

41. That the resolution of the Brussels Quarterly Meeting be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

42. That we, as a Conference, tender our sympathy to Bro. E. Williams, in view of the painful afflictions he has endured during the past year, and heartily welcome him to a seat and voice in this Conference.

43. That Rev. W. H. Moss be appointed to write the address to the Canadian Connexion.

44. That this Conference grant the request of the Hespeler Circuit for the return of their minister, the Rev. W. Williams, for a fifth year.

45. That we adopt the action of the Goderich District relating to the request of the Ainleyville Circuit.

46. That the memorial from Eliza L. Atkinson be referred to a committee consisting of the Chairman of Owen Sound District, Rev. W. Tindall, and Bro. Meriam.

47. That the request of the St. Mary's Ciruuit be granted, and they are hereby empowered to sell the old parsonage property, and use the proceeds for Connexional purposes.

48. That the report of the Committee on Division of Circuits be received and adopted.

49. That the Rev. D. D. Rolston be permitted to return a fifth year to the Vesta Circuit.

50. That the report of the committee recommending the sending of a married probationer to Meaford Circuit, with a grant from the Mission Fund, subject to the findings of the Stationing and Missionary Committee, be adopted.

51. That having heard the statements of the St. Mary's Circuit relative to the retention of a portion of their missionary money, this Conference feels that in view of our present financial difficulties we cannot consent to recommend the case to the favorable attention of the Missionary Committee as a case requiring special consideration.

52. That the request of the Aurora Circuit, to appoint or station but one minister this year at Aurora, be granted.

53. That the request of the Toronto Circuit, for but one minister, be remitted to the Stationing Committee.

54. That the memorial of Eliza L. Atkinson in relation to a lot of land in Cornabuss Village be referred to the Executive Committee, with the understanding that such committee cause the removal of the saw logs from said lot, and the erection of a fence around it within a reasonable time.

55. That we recommend the Missionary Committee to make the same arrangements for Hamilton as were made last year.

56. That this Conference regret its inability to grant the request of the Middleton Circuit to retain the remainder of its missionary money, inasmuch as it would only open the door for numerous applications of a similar character, which this Conference has no funds to meet.

57. That the Rev. E. Holmes be re-appointed Secretary-Treasurer of the Paternal Fund, and that the Rev. T. L. Wilkinson assist Bro. Holmes during the present Conference.

58. That the Missionary Committee, to meet during the session of the Adjourned Conference, shall consist of the Chairmen of Districts appointed by the Conference and lay members appointed by the May District Meeting, together with the usual Connexional officers.

59. That the report of the Board of Examiners, now presented, be received and considered.

60. That the best thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered to the Board of Examiners for the diligence with which they have prosecuted their labors during the past year, and that they be re-appointed with the same allowance as last year.

61. That this Conference close its business on Wednesday evening, and adjourn to meet at the call of the President.

62. That Bro. A. B. Demill be allowed to sustain the same relations to this Conference as last year.

63. That the case of North Augusta, respecting the grant promised by the Executive be reconsidered, and that the sum of eighteen dollars be granted instead of forty.

64. That Bros. R. J. Elliott, C. Teeter and Thos. Rennie be received into full Connexion and ordained.

65. That this Conference recommends the application of Bro. J. Boddy to the careful attention of the Stationing Committee, that if they can conveniently accede to his request he be allowed to attend Cobourg College for one year.

66. That in consideration of the special difficulties in the way of Bro. Andrews attending his examination, we ordain him for special purposes, and allow him to pass his examination before the Adjourned Conference, with the understanding that if he complies with the requirements of the Board of Examiners we receive him in full Connexion at that time.

67. That this Conference grants the Rev. R. N. Hill his special request to locate for one year, and that his position among us be a supernumerary one, and this Conference hopes that our dear brother, who has been so highly esteemed by all his brethren, may find it convenient to serve our work in the place where he resides.

68. That Mr. R. Wilkes, M. P., be appointed Financial Secretary for the next year.

69. That Bro. N. B. Topping be allowed to retire this year for the purpose of attending college, provided the action of the Stationing Committee can permit.

70. That Bro. David Hogg be received as a probationer into our ministry.

71. That the Auditing Committee consist of Bros. J. Tanton and G. G. McGee.

72. That the meeting of the Missionary Committee

be deferred till the time of meeting of Adjourned Conference.

73. That the Adjourned Conference be held in the town of Milton.

METHODIST UNION.

1. That this Conference having heard the report of the Executive Committee on the action of our Quarterly Meetings, declaring that fifty-six Quarterly Meetings voted for the proposed Basis of Union, and nineteen Quarterly Meetings voted against it, it is resolved that the above result be recorded in the Conference Journal, and printed in the minutes for future use and reference.

2. That a committee consisting of the Revs. J. Medicraft, J. McAllister, W. Williams, J. T. Pitcher, G. Buggin, with Bros. R. Wilkes, J. Evans, A. Ferguson and B. Hopkins, be appointed to consider the Connexional situation, and report such measures as may be deemed advisable, the committee to have power to send for persons and papers.

The committee having brought in its report it was resolved that:

3. Whereas, a majority of the Quarterly Meetings have adopted the basis of the proposed Union submitted by our last Conference, Resolved, that this Conference hereby ratifies and adopts the said Basis of Union, provided that our interpretation of the 23rd clause in the Basis of Union be approved by the Wesleyan Conference, viz.: "Any act of the General "Conference affecting the rights and privileges of the "Annual Conferences shall become law only when it "secures a majority of two-thirds of the members of "the General Conference, who may be present and "vote thereon. Provided also that such act be not "disapproved of by a majority of the next ensuing "Annual Conferences." Also that a respectful state-

ment by deputation or otherwise, of the whole case be submitted to the English Conference, soliciting their approval of our action. Also that a deputation be appointed to the next Wesleyan Conference, soliciting their approval of our interpretation of the said 23rd clause.

4. That this Conference appoints a committee, consisting of the President, Revs. J. Caswell, W. Tindall, with Bro. A. Ferguson, to draft a memorial submitting the recent action of the Canadian Conference on the subject of Union to the consideration of the English Conference, and to request their acquiesence therewith.

5. That the Rev. W. Williams, and R. Wilkes be appointed as a deputation to attend the next session of the English Conference for the purposes prescribed in the report of the committee on the state of the Connexion, with the understanding that if Bro. Wilkes should find it utterly impracticable to attend, we release him from the responsibility involved in this appointment.

6. That the deputation to the next Conference of the Wesleyan Church in Hamilton be Revs. J. McAllister, W. Tindall, G. Buggin, and Bro. T. Mitchell.

7. That the report of the Union Committee, with the subsequent amendments thereto, be printed with the minutes of the present Conference, and that the Minutes be charged twenty cents per copy.

EVANGELICAL WITNESS.

1. That the thanks of this Conference be given to our esteemed President for his services as Editor of the "Evangelical Witness" during the past year, and that he be re-appointed for the present year.

2. That having heard the report of the Publishing Committee, and the statements of the Rev. D. Savage, relative to the financial condition of the "Evangelical

Witness," showing a large deficiency requiring to be met at once, and having no available funds at our command, we hereby instruct the Publishing and Executive Committees, acting as a joint committee, to take immediate steps to loan the required amount, and that the Revs. G. Richardson, J. McAllister, and Bro. T. Mitchell be a committee to negotiate a loan or realize the required amount on the property in Hamilton, and that we pledge ourselves as members of this Conference to use our best endeavors to increase the assets of the publishing concern by collecting arrearages and securing new subscribers.

3. That the Publishing Committee consist of Revs. D. Savage, G. Buggin, W. Birks, J. White, with Messrs. J. Tanton, J. Evans, and B. Hopkins.

COMPLIMENTARY.

1. That this Conference would express its confidence in the Christian character and high appreciation of the ministerial services of the Rev. J. Medicraft, the General Superintendent. His great ability as a minister and manager has won for him the admiration of all our people; his judicious counsels, in many cases of perplexity, have enabled us to come to satisfactory conclusions, and we pray that the Divine blessing may continue to rest upon him.

2. That it affords us a source of very great gratification to see in our midst again our old friend and brother, Rev. J. H. Robinson, who in the good providence of God has safely reached the land he loves. We extend to him a hearty welcome, and hope to avail ourselves of his matured wisdom and counsel, praying that his valued life may be long spared to preach the Gospel of the ever blessed God.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

1. That this Conference desires to record its high appreciation of the promptitude and ability with

which our esteemed President, *pro tem*, the Rev. Wm. Williams, has fulfilled the onerous duties devolving upon him since the death of our late lamented President, the Rev. S. B. Gundy, and we fervently pray that the Divine Blessing may rest upon him in all his efforts to promote the interests of our beloved Zion.

2. That we hereby present our cordial thanks to our esteemed brother, the Rev. E. Holmes, for his able services as Secretary of the Conference during the past year.

3. That we hereby tender our thanks to the Directors and Managers of the several Railroad and Steamboat Companies, who so kindly reduced their fares for members attending our Conference, and that the Secretary forward to each a copy of the same.

4. That the thanks of this Conference be given to Revs. J. B. Goodspeed, T. Jackson, and Bro. A. Ferguson for their services as the Committee on Circuit Documents.

5. That the best thanks of this Conference be presented to Rev. J. Medicraft for his able services as Connexional Treasurer during the past year, and that he be reappointed, and that the usual sum be placed at his disposal for expenses.

6. That the warmest thanks of this Conference are due, and are hereby cordally presented to the Committee on the State of the Connexion for their arduous and successful efforts in bringing about a satisfactory solution of the vexed and absorbing question of Methodist Union, and we also record our heartfelt gratitude to Almighty God for the guidence of His Holy Spirit, which we believe he has vouchsafed to the committee in their deliberations.

7. That the report of the Committee on Statistics be received, and that the thanks of this Conference be tendered the committee for their services.

8. That the thanks of this Conference be tendered the Committee on Memorials and Resolutions for their very efficient services.

9. That the thanks of this Conference be given to the Rev. Edwin Holmes for his services as Secretary-Treasurer of the Paternal Fund.

10. That the final report of the Stationing Committee be adopted, and that the thanks of the Conference be presented to them.

11. That the thanks of this Conference be presented to the Conference reporters.

12. That the thanks of this Conference be presented to the Recording Secretary for his services.

13. That the best thanks of this Conference be respectfully presented to the people of Milton and vicinity, for the generous and very cordial reception extended to the members of this Conference, and that the President cause this resolution to be read in public on Sabbath next.

14. That the hearty thanks of this Conference be and are hereby tendered to the Local Committee of Arrangements for the very effective provision made for our comfort and convenience in the matter of homes, and also for the facilities afforded us for the despatch of business in all our sessions. We desire also to make special mention of our brother, the Rev. Geo. Brown, who has had special charge of the arrangement, and to whose untiring and considerate efforts the happy results we experience are largely due.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

1. That this Conference would humbly bow to the Divine will, in the removal our much respected and venerable brother, the Rev. John Wilkinson, who for forty years stood connected with this Conference as a valued and faithful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ.

His integrity, cheerfulness and urbanity of character greatly endears his memory to us. We pray that his bereaved family may receive sustaining and comforting grace, under this afflictive dispensation of an all wise Providence.

2. This Conference desires to put on record its deep sense of the great loss felt in the removal, by death, of the Rev. Samuel Bradly Gundy. His elevation at the last Conference to the Presidential chair, the highest honor his Church could confer upon him, is a sufficient indication of the high esteem in which he was held by his brethren. For a little over twenty years he was a laborious and faithful minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. His loss is more than a Connexional one, for his kindly Christian character had won for him the respect and co..fidence of all who had the privilege of knowing him. His memory will long be cherished by us. We earnestly pray that upon his bereaved family and friends the Divine blessing may rest, that God would comfort them with the consolations wherewith he comforteth his people.

3. This Conference desires also to express its sorrow in having to record the death of the Hon. Oliver Blake. Since the formation of our Church in Canada he manifested the deepest interest in its welfare, a liberal supporter, and a strong adherent to our principles. Very often he was a member of the Conference, and served upon some of its most important committees. We would tender to his family our sincere sympathy, and pray that God may sustain them in their sad bereavement.

4. That this Conference deeply sympathize with our esteemed brother, the Rev. T. M. Jefferis, in the affliction which compels him to retire from the active work of the ministry, and in according to him his request to sustain a superannuated relation to this Conference. We earnestly pray that his declining years

may be cheered by the sustaining presence of that God whom he has so long endeavored to serve.

5. That this Conference deeply sympathize with our esteemed brother, the Rev. F. Haynes, in the affliction which compels him also to retire from the active work of the ministry, and in acceding to his request to sustain a supernumerary relation to this Conference, we earnestly pray that his declining years may be abundantly cheered by the favor of a covenant keeping God.

6. That this Conference express its sympathy with our beloved father, the Rev. H. Wilkinson, in the trying circumstances through which he has been called to pass during the past year.

7. That we are sorry to learn that the sad affliction of our beloved brother, Rev. E. Williams, has entirely incapacitated him for further work in our itinerant ranks and obliges him to ask for a superannuated relation to this Conference, and that we grant his request, and fervently pray that his declining years may be rendered peaceful and pleasant, by the sustaining providence and grace of God.

FRATERNAL.

1. That this Conference having heard with pleasure the expressions of fraternal feelings conveyed from the Ontario Conference of the M. E. Church, by the Revs. J. Curts and T. Argue, begs to reciprocate those expressions, and trusts that that Church may enjoy uninterrupted prosperity and continue to exert a large influence over the moral and religious welfare of this growing Dominion, and that a deputation be appointed by this Conference to attend the next General Conference of that Church, which meets next August in Napanee.

2. That the Revs. J. T. Pitcher and W. Smyth be a deputation to attend the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to be held in Napanee.

FRENCH CANADIAN MISSION.

1. That this Conference having heard the statements of the Rev. J. T. Pitcher, the Secretary of the French Canadian Missionary Society, respecting the work carried on by that Society, desires to express its hearty sympathy with it. We rejoice that God has favored the Society with such signal success in the past, and earnestly pray that through its efforts many more may be liberated from the bondage of Romanism to embrace the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We commend this Society to the confidence of the members of our Church, and ask them to co-operate with its general agent, and contribute to its sustentation as they may have opportunity.

PATRIOTIC.

This being the day on which we celebrate the birth of our beloved Sovereign, Queen Victoria,

1. Resolved, That we express our firm attachment to the Crown of Great Britain, and rejoice to live under such a noble and beloved Sovereign, and pray that her life may long be spared to reign over us.

INTEMPERANCE.

1. That whereas intemperance is the fruitful source of much of the crime and immorality in our country, and a great barrier in the way of the usefulness of the Church. Holding as we do also that the moderate use of intoxicating liquors, leads, in a majority of instances, to intemperance, this Conference hails with delight the growing desire manifested among the people generally, in the Church, and among our Legislators for a prohibitory liquor law, and we would recommend all our ministers and people to encourage this dawning of a brighter day upon our land by the practice of total abstinence themselves, by the formation

of Temperance Societies in connection with our Churches and Sunday Schools, and by petitioning the Parliament for a law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

TOBACCO.

1. That this Conference would express its conviction that the use of tobacco is not necessary to health or comfort, and that it is always connected with the loss of precious time and money. We therefore earnestly urge all our ministers and members to discontinue its use.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

1. That this Conference would enter its earnest protest against the desecration of the Lord's day either by labor or worldly pleasure. It also deeply regrets that the sanctity of the Holy Sabbath is violated by unnecessary visiting, and non-attendance upon the means of grace on the part of many professing Christians. It therefore most affectionately urges upon all our people a strict observance of the Christian Sabbath.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

1. That the Executive Committee consist of Revs. D. Savage, President; J. Medicraft, General Superintendent; W. Williams and W. Tindall, with Bros. R. Wilkes, M. P., J. Evans and B. Hopkins.

POST OFFICE ADDRESSES OF THE ABOVE.

Rev. D. Savage, London; Rev. J. Medicraft, London; Rev. W. Williams, Hespeler; Rev. W. Tindall, Owen Sound; R. Wilkes, M. P., Toronto; J. Evans, Evelyn; B. Hopkins, Brownsville.

ADDRESS TO THE CANADIAN CONNEXION.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN :

Grace, mercy and peace be multiplied unto you from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who is our hope. Through the kindness and providential care of the great Head of the Church we, your representatives, have been permitted to meet again in our Annual Conference, and have been mutually benefited by each other's kindly greetings and happy Christian fellowship. The generous hospitality of the dear friends at Milton who have so kindly entertained us has also much gratified and cheered us. And now having transacted the business which you have entrusted to us as the messengers of the churches, and with the prayer that you will favor us with your heartiest sympathies and co-operation in our work of faith and labor of love, we comply most cheerfully with our time-honored custom and Christian duty to send you our annual epistle and fraternal greeting.

Since we last assembled our hearts have been deeply affected by the removal from the Church militant of two of our most honored ministers and one of our most prominent and useful laymen. In the early part of the year our beloved President, the late Rev. S. B. Gundy, who had proved himself to be the right man in the right place at a very critical period in our history, and who had endeared himself to all our hearts by many excellences, was suddenly stricken down under the Divine hand, and ceased at once to

work and live. His unexpected removal, especially under the circumstances, both domestic and Connexional, in which he was called away, was most painful; but thank God it has been attended with divine compensations of great mercy. His death was most triumphant and glorious, and has had a very heavenly influence upon our hearts and minds at the present Conference. Soon after the demise of our lamented President, our dear brother, the late Hon. O. Blake, was called to join him in the spirit world. He had been one of his companions and co-workers on the Executive Committee, and very frequently occupied some of the most important positions in this Connexion, of which he was one of the oldest and most honored members. Towards the close of the year our venerable father, the late Rev. John Wilkinson, after a very short illness passed away to his reward on high, an event which in a few weeks was followed by the death of his aged and afflicted partner in life. For forty years Father Wilkinson was engaged in the work of the ministry in connection with our Church in this country, and his labors, which were most abundant and were always attended with marked appreciation, were signally owned of God at times in the conversion of sinners and the edification of believers. By his firm attachment to our principles, his willingness to endure hardships and privations for the cause of truth and salvation of souls, and by his cheerful, untiring industry in the arduous work of the Gospel, he proved himself to be a good and faithful minister of the Lord Jesus, and secured a high place in the esteem and love of our people. His end was peace and his memory is precious. The loss of these dear brethren has deeply affected our hearts. Many and earnest have been the prayers offered to God that he would over-rule it all for our good, and especially that the families bereaved may be abundantly sus-

tained and comforted by the grace and consolations of the Holy Ghost.

Several of the brethren in the itinerant ranks, some of whom have labored very long as well as very faithfully, on account of failing health have had to retire at this Conference from the active work of the ministry. Thus we are being admonished by the providence of God, as we are by his Word and Spirit, to work while it is day, because the night cometh when no man can work.

The present Conference has been one of unusual interest and of very grave importance. It has been often referred to as the most eventful and important Conference ever held by us in this country. The brethren came together not only with special promptness and in large numbers, but with very conflicting and intensified convictions and emotions. Sad results were predicted by some and feared by many. The future of the Church was shrouded in great darkness and was matter of painful uncertainty. But with devout feelings of gratitude we acknowledge the good hand of our God upon us, so that we have been enabled to manifest the spirit of men whose hearts the Lord had touched. In answer to special and unceasing prayer for the special interposition of heaven at this crisis of our history, God has been with us in a very special manner; hence great harmony and peace have been preserved amid all our deliberations and discussions. The power of the grace of God to control and harmonize the hearts of men while acting under very diversified and opposing views and feelings has been wonderfully apparent, and hence the serious difficulties which had arisen during the past year, and which had filled our hearts with forebodings of evil, have been all melted and consumed in the flame of brotherly affection, mutual forbearance, and

an intense solicitude to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

We are happy to inform you that the great subject of union between the Wesleyan Connexion and our own in this country, and which has been uppermost in all our minds, has been brought to a peaceful settlement. The scheme of union brought before our last Conference, and which was then adopted, subject to the sanction of the November Quarterly Meetings, and which has been approved by a three-fourths majority of the same, had been ratified by the almost unanimous vote of the present Conference, subject to aprovision which you will find in one of the resolutions of our Minutes. This long prayed for, and yet apparently almost impracticable termination was reached by the judicious appointment of a committee representing the different views on this vital question. Our prayer to God is that these measures, which for the sake of peace have been agreed upon, will commend themselves to your judgment, meet with your hearty approval, and secure your most earnest co-operation.

Additional interest has been added to our present gathering by the presence of our old friend and father, the Rev. J. H. Robinson. He came as a deputation from the United Committees appointed by the last English Conference to counsel and advise us at this important juncture in our history. He was cordially welcomed by a resolution to a seat in the Conference, and to participate in its deliberations. It will be gratifying to you to know that it is his intention to make a permanent stay in this country. Our General Superintendent, the Rev. J. Merdicraft, who still holds a high place in our esteem and affections, is entitled to our warmest sympathies in his present

peculiar position, and we hereby assure him that our heartiest prayers shall be offered on his behalf.

Our highly esteemed brethren, the Rev. W. Williams and Mr. Robert Wilkes, M. P., have been reappointed a deputation to the parent body. The onerous duty has been committed to them of laying the whole question of Union, and in particular our relation thereto, before the next Conference of that body, with a view to secure their approval of our action. It will please you to know that the Revs. J. H. Robinson and J. Medicraft, while refusing to commit the English Conference to any future course, have nevertheless given their personal approval of the action of our committee above referred to, and have also promised to advise the English Conference to consent to the request that our deputation will lay before them. Quite a number of the ministers of this Conference were converted to God, as were many of their friends by the word of grace proclaimed by our ministers at home, and can never forget their indebtedness to them. All of us are under manifold obligations to them, and it is the desire of every heart that nothing may transpire to affect our loving associations. Let our prayers unceasingly ascend to the God of all grace that our deputation to England may be successful in the object of their mission, and that He whom winds and seas obey may guide their course, preserve their health, and bring them back to us with joy.

A deputation has also been appointed to attend the the Wesleyan Conference, to be held in Hamilton on the first day in June, 1874, to consult with that assembly on matters relating to the proposed union, and to convey to them our fraternal greetings. It has further been decided that an adjourned Conference shall be held in Milton soon after the return of our deputation from England, to transact such business

as may then be deemed necessary. We commend, dear brethren, these matters of such great importance to us as a Church and people to your earnest and prayerful consideration.

Our statistical returns are not of so cheering a character as we could desire; still there are points of pleasing remembrance and of importance claiming more than a passing notice. Six new churches have been opened during the year, which we hope will be the birth-places of many souls. We grieve not to be able to report an increase of members. This is cause for deep humiliation before God. There is need for us to cry with greater earnestness and importunity, "O Lord, revive thy work." O for a more unreserved consecration of both ministers and members to the work for which God has called us into his Church—the great work of saving souls and extending the Redeemer's kingdom. Permit us to call your attention to a decrease in our Mission Fund. We are fully aware that the past year has been one of financial depression. Nevertheless we would affectionately remind you that our income for mission purposes is far from being adequate to the necessities of our work, and would earnestly urge that during the present year united and special efforts be made by all our friends to raise this fund considerably above its ordinary income, so that the legitimate demands upon it may be honorably and promptly met.

The religious services of the present Conference have been of special interest. Large congregations have attended those services, and deep and lasting impressions have been made. Each morning prayer meeting foretokened a gracious day. The Sabbath services were marked by hallowing unction, and it was sensibly demonstrated that God was very near. The memorial service held on Monday afternoon was

a time never to be forgotten. The thin veil that hangs between the here and hereafter seemed to be uplifted, and glory burst upon our view.

A vote of thanks has been passed by this Conference to the Rev. David Savage, our beloved President, for his able management of the *Evangelical Witness* during the past year, and he has been reappointed editor. It is your duty, dear brethren, to cooperate with us in extending the circulation of this valuable paper. Your own best interests will be secured by its prosperity. It can scarcely be too highly appreciated. No other paper can supply its place in your household, and not one family in the whole Connexion should be without it.

The obligations of the Educational Board have been fulfilled to the entire satisfaction of the Conference. Thanks have been tendered to them, and the same brethren have been re-appointed.

And now, brethren, in conclusion, suffer the word of exhortation. Cultivate a thoroughly religious character. Let your fidelity to God be exemplified by a careful attention to the means of grace. Personally place yourselves upon that altar which sanctifieth the gift. Examine yourselves; enter into your closets and pray to your Father which is in secret. Diligently study the Word of God, which is able to save your souls and make you perfect unto every good work, Make these duties of private devotion your daily delight. In your homes as parents, by prayer, by Bible reading, by godly counsel and daily Christian example, lead your children to the Saviour. As children obey your parents in the Lord, and comfort their hearts by your affectionate regard towards them. Remember that whilst "the curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked, he blesseth the habitation of the just." We would remind you,

dear brethren, of your precious opportunities and corresponding obligations as connected with the Church of Christ. Be regular and punctual in your attendance at the sanctuary of God. "Those that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God." Forget not, therefore, the assembling of yourselves together. May you fully realize the experience of the Psalmist when he exclaimed, "One thing have I desired of the Lord, and that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to enquire in his temple." Let the prayer meeting have due importance with you. This service cannot be neglected without great spiritual loss to yourselves and to the Church at large. Remember that the largest outpourings of God's Holy Spirit are promised to the united and believing prayers of his people. Especially would we remind you of the great value and importance of those means of grace that are peculiar to us as Methodists. Suffer us to admonish you as "those that must give account" that you cannot neglect our meetings for Christian fellowship and mutual edification, such as the class-meeting, without depriving yourselves of great spiritual benefits and retarding the progress of the work of God. Let us zealously maintain what has proved of such incalculable advantage in the moral and spiritual culture of our members; let us walk by the same rule; let us mind the same thing. "And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake." It is your imperative duty—may it be your delight—to become co-workers with them in all that pertains to the welfare of the Church. As sons and daughters of Methodism, a system which inculcates upon each the duty of doing—of doing well—and never ceasing to

do what will benefit and extend the kingdom of Christ in the world, we exhort you to be instant in season and out of season in all holy activities.

Above all things, brethren, have fervent charity among yourselves, for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Remember that the most fervid eloquence, the strongest faith, the most comprehensive knowledge, the most unbounded liberality are comparatively worthless in the absence of this love. Therefore, dear brethren, we beseech you to be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love, in honor preferring one another. Let the unspeakable love and mercy of God to us constrain and impel us to love each other. By this shall all men know that ye are the disciples of Jesus if ye have love one to another.

Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect; be of good comfort; be of *one* mind; live in peace, and the God of love and peace shall be with you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all. Amen.

REPORT.

The following is the report of the Union Committees appointed respectively by the Wesleyan Methodist Conference, and the Methodist New Connexion Conference of Canada, agreed to at the several meetings of said Committees, held in the Metropolitan Church, Toronto, on the 1st and 2nd days of October, 1872; on the 30th and 31st days of January, 1873, and on the 9th and 10th days of April, 1873, concluding at 10 P. M., of the last named day :—

PRELIMINARY AGREEMENTS.

1. This meeting deems a Union between the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada and the Methodist New Connexion Church, on such principles as may be mutually agreed upon, highly desirable.

2. A General Conference should be formed, to meet once in four years, having power to make rules and regulations for the whole Church, subject to such restrictions as may be mutually agreed upon.

3. Lay representation should be included in the General Conference, in such form as may be agreed upon.

4. The General Conference should be composed of ministers and laymen in equal numbers.

5. The General Conference only should have power to make rules and regulations for the entire Church, subject to such restrictions as may be hereafter defined and accepted.

6. The Annual Conferences should be composed of ministers only, who have travelled four years, and have been received into full connexion. They shall transact all business appertaining to the Circuits, Stations or Missions within their respective bounds, and their decision shall be final on all questions of ministerial character.

7. One or more General Superintendents should be elected by the General Conference, to hold office for a term of years corresponding to the term of the said Conference; such Superintendent or Superintendents to be set apart for the work by such form of service as may be agreed upon, and to

be amenable to the General Conference for all their official acts.

8. There should be District Meetings, and they should consist of ministers and preachers on trial within the District, with an equal number of laymen, (to be appointed as may be determined) such laymen to have the right of taking part in all proceedings, except in the examination of ministerial character.

9. That the United Church should provide by legislation for the continuation of Class Meetings, Lovefeasts, Leaders' Meetings, Quarterly Meetings, and Local Preachers' Meetings, on the Circuits and Districts.

10. That the lay delegates to each General Conference should be elected by the lay members of District Meetings, in such manner as may be hereafter decided, and that such members of District Meetings—when such elections are to take place—be elected by the Quarterly Meetings.

ACCEPTED DETAILS OF GOVERNMENT.

11. The United Methodist Conferences in British America, in the form of their General Government, shall be composed of one General Conference and several Annual Conferences.

12. The Name of the Church shall be called THE UNITED WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA. In case of more general Organic Union of the Methodist Churches, it shall be called THE METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.

RESPECTING THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

13. The General Conference shall be composed of one Minister and one Layman for every eight members of each Annual Conference Provided nevertheless, that a fraction of three-fourths shall entitle a Conference to an additional representation. Provided always that the President of each Conference shall be one of those so selected: and also provided always that the whole number of delegates elected shall not exceed two hundred and twenty.

14. The Ministerial members of the General Conference shall be elected by ballot.

15. The appointment of Laymen to the General Conference shall be made as follows:

(1) The Laymen in each Annual District Meeting next *preceding the* meeting of the General Conference shall elect

from among the members of our Church within the bounds of the District, representatives to the General Conference: the number so elected to be determined by the number of Church members in the District, as compared with the entire membership within the bounds of the Annual Conference: the whole number not to exceed the number of Ministers appointed by such Annual Conference.

(2) The Lay members of the District Meeting making such appointments to the General Conference shall be elected by the Quarterly Official Meeting next preceding.

16. The Secretary of each Annual Conference shall compute the number of Laymen to be appointed by each District in accordance with the principles laid down in section 15, and publish the same in the minutes of the Annual Conference next preceding such District appointment. Each delegate must be not less than twenty-five years of age and must have been a member of the Church continuously during the five years next preceding the time of his election.

17. A majority of those chosen to constitute the General Conference shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

18. The first General Conference shall meet on the first Wednesday after the fifteenth day of September, in the year 1874, provided that the Conferences concerned shall have approved of the plan of Union; and thenceforward, once in four years, on the first Wednesday after the fifteenth day of September, in such place as may be decided by the General Conference.

19. Each General Conference after the first, shall, on its assembling, elect by ballot without debate, one or more General Superintendents from among those nominated for that office by the Annual Conferences as hereinafter provided.

20. Each General Conference shall, immediately after the election of the General Superintendents, elect by ballot without debate, a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep a correct record of its proceedings, and publish the minutes under the direction of the General Conference.

21. The General Conference only, shall have power to make rules and regulations for the Church under the following limitations and restrictions, viz:

(1) They shall not revoke, alter or change any article of religion, nor establish any new standards or rules of doctrine, contrary to our existing and established standards.

(2) They shall not destroy the plan of our Itinerant system.

(3) They shall not make any change in the General Rules of our Society.

22. Any act of the General Conference involving constitutional changes, shall become law, only when it secures a majority of three-fourths of the members of the General Conference, who may be present and vote thereon.

23. Any act of the General Conference affecting the rights and privileges of the Annual Conferences, shall become law, only when it secures a majority of two-thirds of the members of the General Conference, who may be present and vote thereon. Provided that such act be not disapproved of by a majority of the next ensuing Annual Conferences.

24. The General Conference by a vote of two-thirds of its members, shall have power to increase or diminish the number, or alter the boundaries of the several Annual Conferences.

25. The General Conference shall appoint a Special Committee, which shall deal with questions of General Conference interests, in the interval between one General Conference and another.

26. Toward meeting the expenses of the First General Conference, a collection shall be made throughout our whole work, and the Annual Conferences shall fix the time when such collection shall be made within their respective bounds.

RESPECTING GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS.

27. General Superintendents, one or more, shall be appointed who shall preside at the General Conference, travel through the entire Connexion, preside at the Annual Conferences and their committees, and exercise a general supervision over the whole work. If two or more General Superintendents be appointed, they shall have co-ordinate powers and jurisdiction, but the senior General Superintendent present shall open and organize each General Conference.

28. For the present, each General Superintendent shall reside within the boundaries of the Conference electing him; but in the future, the General Conference shall designate the

place of residence, having regard to the above mode of allocation.

29. After the first General Conference the election of the General Superintendents shall be made by the General Conference from those nominated by the Annual Conferences. Provided always that the other nominees of the Annual Conferences shall be considered alternates, so that in case of the death or disability of one or more of the General Superintendents, the vacancy or vacancies thereby occasioned, shall be filled by such alternates in the order of their seniority.

30. The General Superintendents shall arrange among themselves the portion of the work to be visited by each from time to time as convenience or necessity may require.

31. The General Conference shall make an appropriation for salaries to each of the General Superintendents, which, together with travelling expenses, shall be provided as the General Conference may direct.

32. Each General Superintendent shall be amenable for his moral and religious conduct to the Annual Conference within the bounds of which he may reside. And if accused of crime or immorality, the trial shall take place in the District and locality in which the alleged crime is said to have been committed.

33. The General Superintendents with the advise and consent of the Presidents of the Annual Conferences, shall appoint the time for the meeting of the several Annual Conferences.

34. The General Superintendents shall have power to transfer from one Conference to another: Provided always that no minister shall be so transferred, without his consent and the consent of the Presidents of the Conferences to be affected by such change, as well as the Chairman of the District from which he is to be removed. Notice of all applications for transfer shall be given to the Chairman of the District, and the Presidents of the Conference concerned, at least one month before the meeting of such Conference, and it shall be the duty of the President of the Conference from which such transfer is to be made, to notify the General Superintendent of all such cases.

35. No minister shall be transferred from one Conference to another against the will of the Conference to which it is proposed to transfer him.

36. Each minister transferred shall be subject to the action of the Stationing Committee of the Conference to which he may be transferred.

RESPECTING THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

37. The work in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec shall be divided into three Annual Conferences, to be known as the Ontario, Huron, and St. Lawrence Conferences.

38. Each Annual Conference shall be composed of all ministers received into full Connexion and ordained, who are stationed and appointed by it.

39. Each Annual Conference shall, on its assembling, elect by ballot without debate, a President, who, in the absence of a General Superintendent, shall discharge all the duties of a President within the bounds of the Conference electing him.

40. Each Annual Conference immediately after the election of a President shall appoint a Secretary by ballot without debate; and shall also elect the Chairmen of Districts, according to the discipline.

41. Each Annual Conference next preceding the meeting of the General Conference, shall nominate for General Superintendent a member of one of the Annual Conferences, and from amongst those so nominated, the General Conference shall elect one or more General Superintendents.

42. In the event of the death, disability of, or occupation of office of General Superintendent by a President of an Annual Conference, the ex-President shall immediately enter upon the duties of the Presidency and discharge them to the end of the year.

43. Each Annual Conference shall examine the character and qualifications of all Ministers and Preachers on trial within its limits, and its decisions shall be final.

44. Each Annual Conference shall station all the Ministers and Preachers within its limits according to the rules of the Stationing Committee.

45. No change shall at present be made in the Constitution of the Stationing Committee, except that the lay members of the District Meeting shall also vote in the election of the Representatives.

46. Each President *of* an Annual Conference shall be stationed *on a Circuit, and* shall be ex-officio Chairman of the

District in which he is stationed or through which he may travel. In the absence of a General Superintendent he shall fulfill all the duties of President within the bounds of the Conference by which he is appointed.

RESPECTING QUARTERLY OFFICIAL MEETINGS.

47. The Quarterly Official Meetings shall consist of the Ministers and Preachers on trial; the Local Preachers, the Stewards of the Circuit, the Leaders of Classes, the Superintendents of Sabbath Schools, being members of the Church; one representative from each Board of Trustees, he being a member of the Church, and also of additional representatives who may be appointed by the Societies of the Circuit, the apportionment and scale to be fixed by the May Quarterly Meetings, which also shall specify the mode by which the vote shall be taken; but such additional representatives shall not exceed the number of Stewards on each Circuit.

48. The Chairman of the District, or in his absence, the Superintendent of the Circuit shall preside at the Quarterly Official Meetings.

49. The regular business of the Quarterly Official Meetings shall be:

1. To receive financial returns from the several classes, and to pay the salaries, allowances, and expenses of the Ministers and Preachers.

2. To hear complaints, and to receive and try appeals.

3. At the November Quarterly Official Meeting, to appoint the Stewards of the Circuit, the number to be not less than three, nor more than seven, one of whom shall be Recording Steward, who shall keep a record of the proceedings in a book procured for that purpose.

4. At the February Quarterly Official Meeting, to recommend candidates for the Ministry.

5. At the May Quarterly Official Meeting, to appoint a committee, which shall meet after the Conference, to make an estimate of the amounts necessary for the family or families of the Ministers or Preachers of the Circuit, a report of which shall be made to the August Quarterly Official Meeting; and to appoint the Lay Representative or Representatives to attend the ensuing District Meeting.

6. Where there is no Local Preachers' Meeting to enquire into the character, gifts, labors, punctuality and usefulness

of each Local Preacher by name, and, if there be no valid objection alleged and sustained, to renew their licenses.

7. To examine the character of Exhorters, and annually, at the May Quarterly Meeting, to renew their licenses.

8. At any Quarterly Meeting, where there is no Local Preachers' Meeting, to license Local Preachers in case of necessity.

RESPECTING LOCAL PREACHERS.

50. Where there are six Local Preachers on a Circuit, of three years' continuous standing, the Superintendent shall regularly meet the Local Preachers once a quarter. No person shall be put upon the plan as a Local Preacher, or be suffered to preach among us as such, except on the nomination of the Superintendent, and with the approbation of the Local Preachers' Meeting, or the Quarterly Official Meeting of the Circuit, where a Local Preachers' Meeting is not held.

51. The Superintendent at each regular Local Preachers' Meeting, or the Chairman or Superintendent at the last Quarterly Official Meeting of the Circuit, shall inquire into the religious and moral character, doctrines, ability to preach, punctuality in attending appointments, of each Preacher by name.

52. The questions proposed to the examination of the characters of Local Preachers, shall be the same as those proposed in regard to Travelling Preachers.

53. All Local Preachers shall meet in class. No exception shall be made in respect to any who may have been Travelling Ministers or Preachers in former years.

54. No Local Preacher shall hold Lovefeasts without the consent of the Superintendent, nor in any wise interfere with his business.

55. Whenever a Local Preacher or Exhorter removes from one Circuit to another, he shall obtain from the Superintendent of the Circuit a certificate of his official standing in the Church at the time of his removal, without which he shall not be received as a Local Preacher or Exhorter in other places.

56. No Local Preacher coming to reside among us from another part of the world, although duly recommended, shall

be allowed to preach or hold meetings in our Churches unless he become a member of the Church and submit to its Discipline.

57. No Minister or Preacher who has been suspended or expelled by the Conference, shall on any account be employed as a Local Preacher without the consent of the Conference.

58. The name of every Local Preacher shall be recorded on the Journals of the Quarterly Official Meeting of the Circuit in which he resides.

59. Preachers who have been formerly in connection with the Conference, but who have located, shall be subject to all the regulations affecting Local Preachers, and when charged with immorality shall be proceeded against as other Local Preachers. The Superintendent of the Circuit shall report the case to the District Meeting.

60. Should any Local Preacher belonging to any other body of Methodists make application to be received into our Church, the Chairman of the District or Superintendent of Circuit, in concurrence with the Quarterly or Local Preachers' Meeting of the Circuit on which such Local Preacher shall reside, is authorized to receive him, after having inquired into his qualifications and all the circumstances of his case.

RESPECTING CIRCUIT STEWARDS.

61. Let them be men of solid piety, who both know and love the Methodist doctrine and discipline, and of good natural and acquired abilities to transact the temporal business.

62. They shall be appointed by the vote of the November Quarterly Official Meeting, the Superintendent nominating.

63. It shall be the duty of Stewards to take an exact account of whatever has been collected for the support of Ministers and Preachers in the Circuit; to make an accurate return of every expenditure of money, whether to the Minister, the Preacher, the sick, or the poor; to seek the needy and distressed, in order to relieve and comfort them; to inform the Ministers or Preachers of any sick or disorderly persons; to attend the Quarterly Meetings of their Circuits; to give advice, if asked, in planning the Circuit; to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper; to write circular letters to the

Societies in the Circuit to be more liberal if need be; to let them know, when occasion requires, the state of the temporal concerns at the last Quarterly Meeting; to fill up the Circuit schedules correctly; and to be subject to the President, the Chairman of their District, and the Ministers and Preachers of their Circuit.

64. The Stewards shall be accountable for the faithful performance of their duties to the Quarterly Official Meeting of the Circuit.

65. On each Circuit there shall be not less than three, nor more than seven; one of whom shall be the Recording Steward, who shall be nominated by the Superintendent, and appointed by the meeting.

66. When a Recording Steward of a Circuit becomes incapacitated for the duties of his office, the Superintendent of the Circuit shall have authority to appoint another of the Stewards to that office until the next Quarterly Meeting, when his place shall be supplied according to discipline.

RESPECTING SOCIETY MEETINGS.

67. Society Meetings shall be held in all our Circuits, wherever it is practicable, once a quarter, and the principal object of these meetings shall be the spiritual edification of the Church.

RESPECTING FINANCIAL ECONOMY—THE GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

68. All the moneys raised for Missionary purposes in the several Conferences of the United Churches shall form one General Mission Fund.

69. There shall be a Central Missionary Board for the management of the Missionary Fund, which shall meet annually.

70. This Board shall be composed, for the present, of the General Superintendents; the President of each Annual Conference; one Minister annually elected from each Annual Conference; the chief officers of the Missionary Society, and an equal number of Laymen, of whom one shall be appointed by the Laymen of each Annual Conference Missionary Committee, and the others by the Laymen of the General Conference.

71. The duties of this Committee shall be to review the Missionary work and apportion the funds committed to them, to the respective Conferences according to their necessities.

72. Vacancies occurring in the Central Missionary Board shall be filled by the General Conference Special Committee.

73. The General Conference shall appoint the Officers of the Missionary Society, who shall be ex-officio members of the Central Missionary Board.

74. All Foreign Missions now existing or that may hereafter be established, shall be under the direction of the General Conference. But all Missionaries must be connected with some Annual Conference, and be amenable to such Conference for their conduct in all respects.

75. There shall be within the bounds of each Annual Conference a Local Missionary Committee constituted as the General Conference may determine.

RESPECTING OTHER CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.

76. It is deemed desirable as soon as legal and other difficulties can be removed, to amalgamate the different funds of the United Church and to place them under the management of a Central Board or Boards.

77. The Superannuated Preachers' Annuitant Society of the New Connexion Conference, and the Superannuated Ministers' Fund of the Wesleyan Conference be amalgamated, and all claimants on the New Connexion Fund be placed on the same footing as Wesleyan Ministers, and receive from the Superannuation Fund of the United Church according to the scale laid down in the Constitution of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund of the Wesleyan Conference.

78. The members of this committee connected with the Wesleyan Methodist Church recommend to the Board of Management of their Superannuated Ministers' Fund, to take into their most favorable consideration the cases of those Ministers of the New Connexion Church who are not members of their Annuitant Society, in order to constitute them claimants on the Superannuation Fund of the United Church.

79. Respecting the Missionary Fund, the Contingent Fund, the Church Relief Fund and the Children's Fund, the Committee is of opinion that no difficulty exists to prevent an immediate and perfect amalgamation of the same.

80. Whenever Connexional Funds are organized or amalgamated, their management shall be entrusted to a Board or Boards constituted by the General Conference similarly to the Missionary Board.

RESPECTING EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLISHING INSTITUTIONS.

81. The publishing interests of the United Church shall be under the direction of the General Conference.

82. The General Conference shall appoint the Editor or Editors and the Book Steward or Book Stewards.

83. The General Conference shall determine the number and character of our Educational Institutions, and shall prescribe the manner of forming the Governing Boards of all Universities and Theological Schools. The General Conference shall also prescribe a Course of Study for all Candidates for the Ministry.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

84. In the event of Union between the Wesleyan Conference and the Methodist New Connexion Conference in Canada, it is understood that the United Church shall constitute a distinct community, connected with the Wesleyan Methodist and Methodist New Connexion Churches in England, only by fraternal ties; nevertheless this Joint Committee is constrained to express its deep and grateful sense of indebtedness to the Parent Bodies in England for their liberal assistance and fraternal care, during the many years of our past history; and we devoutly pray that upon them, as upon ourselves, may rest continually the blessing of God, guiding us to such decisions and labors as may promote the evangelization of the world and extend the glory of the Redeemer's name.

85. The cordial thanks of this United Committee are presented to the Rev. W. Morley Punshon, L.L. D., for his efficient services, and cordial co-operation with the Committee as Chairman, during our former sittings.

86. This United Committee cannot separate without expressing its hearty thanks to the Rev. Dr. Evans, the respected Chairman of this meeting, for his impartiality in the chair, and his very great kindness and consideration during the deliberations of this Committee, whereby harmony has been promoted, and success so far has attended our labors.

87. These resolutions on the subject of Union between the Wesleyan Methodist and Methodist New Connexion Churches in Canada, adopted by their Committees on Union, shall be arranged by the Secretaries and printed, to be submitted to the separate Conferences; the expenses to be shared by the two Conferences.

88. The cordial thanks of the Union Committees are presented to the excellent Secretaries, the Rev. Wm. Scott and Robert Wilkes, Esq., M. P., for their arduous and able services rendered in connection with the several meetings of this Committee.

All of which is respectfully submmitted.

WILLIAM SCOTT,
ROBERT WILKES, } SECRETARIES.

TORONTO, April 10th, 1873.

AMENDMENTS TO THE REPORT

OF THE

UNION COMMITTEES,

SUBMITTED TO THE QUARTERLY BOARDS CONJOINTLY WITH THE REPORT.

PRELIMINARY AGREEMENTS.

Under this head the 7th clause is amended by the substitution of the following: "The General Conference to elect a President to hold office for the term of years corresponding to the term of said Conference; to preside over the proceedings of the General Conference, to call and preside over all standing committees of said Conference, to perform any duties which the General Conference may prescribe, but who should not exercise a general superintendency, nor any powers conferred by discipline upon other officers of the Church."

RESPECTING THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Under this head the 19th clause is amended as follows: "Each General Conference shall on its assembling elect by ballot without debate, from its Ministerial Members, a President who shall preside over its proceedings."

The 20th clause is amended as follows: "Each General Conference shall, immediately after the election of a President, elect by ballot without debate, a Secretary or Secretaries, whose duty it shall be to keep a correct record of its proceedings and publish the Minutes under the direction of the General Conference."

The 25th clause is amended as follows: "Each General Conference shall appoint a special committee of not less than twelve persons, containing an equal number of ministers and laymen, who shall from one General Conference to another, watch over, and guard all the rights and privileges of our Church throughout the Dominion; promote as far as possible the recommendations of the General Conference, consider and decide upon any measures which may seem necessary for the general interests of the Church, and which could not have been foreseen at the meeting of the General Conference, and adopt such means for their accomplishment as it may judge expedient; provided, nevertheless, it shall not exercise any legislative authority, or do anything that may interfere with the disciplinary duties of any Annual Conference, or of any officer of the Church."

RESPECTING GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS.

As it is not deemed expedient to appoint General Superintendents, the report is amended by striking out the 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, and 31st clauses under this head, and in the 32nd clause the "President of the General Conference," should be substituted for the words "General Superintendent."

The 33rd clause is also amended as follows: "The Annual Conferences should meet in the month of June, and that within this limitation each Annual Conference should appoint the time and place of its own meetings."

The 34th, 35th, and 36th clauses under this head are amended by substituting the following: "The President of the General Conference, the President of each Annual Conference, and one minister elected annually by each Annual Conference, shall be a Committee for the transfer of ministers and preachers from one Annual Conference to another, and the decisions of such Committee shall be final. To the Chairman of such Committee shall all communications by all parties concerned be addressed, but not later than the first day of May in any one year; provided, nevertheless, that any minister who deems himself aggrieved shall have the privilege of appearing before the Transfer Committee, and stating his case; and provided, likewise, that such transfer shall not prejudice the ultimate financial claims of any min-

ister or preacher so transferred, each minister transferred shall be subject to the action of the Stationing Committee of the Conference to which he may be transferred."

RESPECTING THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

Under this head the 37th clause is amended as follows: "The work in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec shall be divided into three Annual Conferences to be called the London, Toronto and Montreal Conferences."

In the 39th clause the words "in the absence of a General Superintendent" should be struck out, also the whole of the 41st clause, the words "or occupation of the office of General Superintendent by" in the 42nd clause, and the last sentence of the 46th clause. The 45th clause is amended as follows: "The Stationing Committee in each Conference shall consist of the President, the Chairmen of Districts, and another minister from each District for whose election the Lay Representatives shall also vote, the voting being always by ballot, and one of the General Missionary Secretaries shall be, ex-officio, a member of the Stationing Committee."

RESPECTING QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Under this head it is recommended "that all exhorters shall be members of the Quarterly Meetings."

FINANCIAL ECONOMY—GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Under this head, in the 70th clause, omit the words "General Superintendents," and insert instead, "President of the General Conference;" also omit the words "Chief Officers" and substitute "General Secretaries and Treasurers."

The 72nd clause is amended by the substitution of the following: "When a vacancy occurs in the Board by death, resignation, or any any other disability, the Board shall fill such vacancy or vacancies. If the vacancy or vacancies arise from the members elected by the Annual Conference, such vacancy or vacancies shall be filled from among the ministers or members of such Conference as the delegates belong to, and for the interval till the next Annual Conference; and if, from those elected by the General Conference to fill the vacancy or vacancies so occurring till the next General

Conference, but no person or persons shall be elected to, or remain a member of, the Board who is not a member of the Church, in good standing."

In the 73rd clause, for "Officers" substitute "General Secretaries and Treasurers."

In the 74th clause the first sentence should be expunged, and the first word of the second sentence.

In the 75th clause omit the words, "There shall be within the bounds of," and insert the words "shall appoint" after "Annual Conference."

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS, 1874.

1. That this Board recommends for ordination and reception into full Connexion, Chancellor Teeter, Robert J. Elliott, and Thomas Rennie, each of these brethren having satisfactorily passed the final examination in the Course of Study.

2. That the following brethren, having passed the required examination in their several years, be recommended to the Conference, to be passed on in their Probation:

First Year—William Cunningham, William Hackett, James Boddy, R. Henders, A. Barltrop.

Second Year—A. M. Delong, Thomas Grandy, R. J. Husband.

Third Year—J. Fowkes, Francis Delong, William W. Graham, J. W. Cathcart, A. Glazier, J. G. Follis, N. B. Topping.

3. That this Committee regrets that the following brethren have not presented themselves for examination at the time and place appointed, and consequently have not undergone any examination this year: J. Andrew, of the fourth year; T. W. Davis, of the third year; J. Livingstone, Wm. Philp, T. L. McCutcheon, of the second; and A. McKillop and A. Eley, of the first. Several of these brethren have offered excuses for their absence of a more or less satisfactory character. The Committee recommends the cases of these brethren to the consideration of the Conference, and suggests the propriety of affording them the opportunity of a special examination, at as early a time during the year as may be agreed upon.

Respectfully submitted.

DAVID SAVAGE,
JAMES C. SEYMOUR,
JOSEPH R. GUNDY.

MILTON, May 25th, 1874.

Adopted excepting the case of Bro. Andrew.

MEMORIAL TO THE ENGLISH CONFERENCE.

The committee appointed to prepare a memorial to the English Connexion on the matter of Union reported as follows:

To the Ministers and Lay Representatives of the Methodist New Connexion in England in Annual Conference assembled:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

We commend unto you our dearly beloved brethren in the Lord, the Rev. William Williams and Robert Wilkes, Esq., M. P., to whose wisdom and integrity we have entrusted the presentation of our salutations to you in the common faith of the Gospel, the resolutions of our Conference on the subject of Methodist Union, and of fuller explanations to your Conference of the steps by which we think we have been providentially led to this conclusion.

We assure you that it is with mingled emotions of gratitude and pain that we contemplate the dissolution of organic bonds which have hitherto existed between us.

Nothing less, in our estimation, than the greater good to be realized by the future success of the Church in her heaven-deputed mission in the salvation of souls could justify or reconcile us to the severance of these bonds.

As our deputation will appear before you, we need not in this document refer you to the origin and early history of this movement, or to the prominent part we, as a denomination, have taken in it. They will also tell you of the steady growth of the Union sentiment in the Methodist Community of this Dominion, especially between the Wesleyan Methodists and ourselves, until it has ripened into the matured negotiations which have been officially communicated to you.

We beg to assure you, dear brethren, that we have not overlooked the arguments and remonstrances we have from

time to time received from you, but with an earnest desire to do the will of God, and the light of our peculiar circumstances in this country, we have carefully weighed them.

We received our much beloved friend and brother, the Rev. J. H. Robinson, your special deputation to this Conference, with that respect due to the high source from which his credentials emanate, and with that unchanging affection we ever cherish towards him, endeared as he is to many of us by many years of pleasant and profitable intercourse.

The decision we have reached was not the outcome of rash or precipitate action. The hearts of thousands of our brethren whose language is, "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning; if I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy," have been painfully exercised with anxious solicitude during the past year, and unceasing prayer has been offered to God for divine guidance in this matter. We had no sooner joined in the devotional exercises of our Conference than we felt graciously assured that "God was in the midst of us, and that He would help us, and that right early." After due forethought, and with the concurrence of Mr. Robinson, we appointed a committee to take into serious consideration the state of the Connexion and report to Conference. This committee, in numbers and influence, fairly represented the brethren amongst us of different opinions on the question of Union—your respected agent, the General Superintendent, being also a member of it. Those brethren, in the fear of God, directed their best energies to the question, and were in frequent consultation with your special deputation; and as they wished, if possible, to prevent the sad catastrophe of the community being rent in twain, with unspeakable evils resulting therefrom, they from time to time consulted the brethren on each side of the question, until—after nearly two days' deliberations—they unanimously reached a conclusion, which was presented by them to the Conference, and we may say unanimously adopted by that body, as in a full house there were only two hands raised against it.

This report, we think, secures much greater freedom of action in carrying into effect any constitutional changes which time and experience may render expedient in the working of the Annual Conferences.

We have appointed a deputation to proceed to the Wesleyan Conference, which will assemble in a few days hence, to ask their concurrence with our proposed interpretation of the 23rd clause of the Basis of Union, which will be fully set before you in the accompanying resolutions. Our decisions were reached with the understanding that the ministerial and lay brethren of our Conference who have hitherto opposed union on the basis before them, will, if the above conditions are accepted, withdraw further opposition and use their persuasion to influence the Membership on their Circuits to fall in with the movement, and thus, as a denomination, go unitedly into the Union; while we rely upon the promised assistance of Messrs. Robinson and Medicraft to secure from our dear fathers and brethren to whom this epistle is sent their sanction and brotherly concurrence in the arrangements thus set before you.

Dearly beloved in the Lord, we, in thus asking your sanction and benediction upon the arrangements which, if completed, will necessarily sever the outward bonds which have for so many long and happy years existed between us, hope that we shall ever retain your love, as you will our affection and gratitude; and that fraternal relations will at once be opened and continue with uninterrupted harmony between you and the reorganized Church here, and that we shall ever be "united to our New Connexion brethren in England in Christian love and in those kind offices which will always be proper and acceptable."

DAVID SAVAGE, President.
ROBERT IRWIN, Secretary.

Milton, May 26th, 1874.

ANNUAL ADDRESS

OF THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE

TO THE ENGLISH CONFERENCE.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN :

Having been permitted in the providence of God to assemble once more in our Annual Conference, the pleasing duty devolves upon us of transmitting to you our Christian greetings and congratulations. The duty is rendered pleasing chiefly from a three-fold consideration. *First*—We, with you are still subjects of the same proud empire whose flag has

"Braved a thousand years
The battle and the breeze."

and in this we rejoice. *Secondly*—We are servants of the same Lord whose "kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and whose dominion is from generation to generation." We also rejoice in this, feeling, with you, that "One is our Master, even Christ, and all we are brethren." *Thirdly*—We rejoice that we are still united with you in doing battle for Christian liberty. We are a detachment of the same regiment in the Lord's army, not only fighting a common foe, and, in conjunction with all the Lord's hosts, seeking for universal conquest over the dominion of sin, but we, with you, are still loyally and devotedly attached to the principles of Christian freedom and equality; and we beg to assure you that our attachment to these principles has neither abated in the past, nor shall it diminish in days to come. Being thus united in sympathy and sentiment, we deem it a pleasing as well as imperative duty to greet you once more in our corporate capacity as our fathers and brethren in the Lord.

We desire to put on record our devout gratitude to our bounteous Father in heaven for the blessings, temporal and spiritual, which he has vouchsafed to us during the past year. Though we have not been exempted entirely from the ills of

life, yet those which we have suffered have been greatly mitigated by the blessings of a Father's hand. In surveying the history of the year we discover some occasions for regret and humiliation, but many causes for joy and thanksgiving. We have met with some reverses, and we have gained many victories. A few clouds and storms have swept over us, but we have experienced a good degree of sunshine. A slight decrease in membership appears from the returns, but on the whole we believe we have been making substantial progress.

We beg to assure you, dear fathers and brethren, that we in Canada continue to feel a deep and unabated interest in all your home and foreign operations and enterprises, and have watched with special pleasure and gratitude the success of your efforts in China and Australia. We would also assure you that we have experienced a growing conviction that the claims of those distant fields upon your efforts and resources were paramount to our own, hence we have been increasingly anxious to place ourselves in a position to relieve the Missionary Society at home from the heavy burden it has sustained for so many years in our behalf.

We could have wished that in the past, especially during the past few years, better facilities had existed for intercommunication and mutual consultation, particularly in reference to those interests and movements so vitally affecting our relations with you. A better understanding might then have been obtained, and anything like a clashing of sentiment avoided. But the expense of a deputation has hitherto seemed to bar us from this most effective and desirable mode of intercourse with you, and letters were, of necessity, but imperfect mediums of communication. We have to inform you, however, that in order to a full and satisfactory explanation of our position and views on the subject of Methodist Union we have re-appointed the excellent brethren, Rev. W. Williams and R. Wilkes, Esq., M. P., who were last year chosen for this purpose, and who will, we expect, sail in a few days to meet you in your approaching Conference, and submit our whole case to your respectful consideration. Though the appointment of these brethren as a deputation will obviate the necessity for any lengthened remarks on the subject to which their mission chiefly relates, yet we would avail ourselves of the opportunity afforded to say that after a careful

and prayerful consideration of the Union question, we have, with the personal, though unofficial, concurrence of your representatives, Revs. J. H. Robinson and J. Medicraft, been guided to an amicable, unanimous, and, we trust, satisfactory settlement of the question, so far as its settlement depends upon our action. In arriving at this decision we feel deeply convinced that God has directed us, and we fervently pray that the issue may redound to His glory.

We look upon the present as a rare opportunity for introducing the leaven of our liberal principles into almost the entire mass of Canadian Methodism, which now extends over nearly one-half of the American continent. We also hope to contribute largely in this movement to the ultimate amalgamation of all branches of the Methodist Church in this Dominion, and the erection under God, of a Christian superstructure which, for the liberality of its principles and the purity of its doctrines, will deserve to occupy an enviable position among institutions of a similar kind throughout the world. This ambition on our part seems to render it necessary that a slightly altered relation should subsist between you and us in the future, though we indulge the belief that in the event of such change being effected we shall experience no abatement of our interest in your prosperity, nor of gratitude and love for you as our fathers and brethren in the Lord. We think we have secured from our Wesleyan friends here such a recognition of our principles of Church government as we can honorably accept, and such as we fondly hope will meet with your concurrence and approval. We further hope and pray that the parent bodies in England of which we and the Wesleyans are the descendants may ere long form a similar alliance, and combine their forces for the subjugation of the world to Christ; and in the event of such a consummation we will greatly rejoice. We do not presume to offer counsel, but we beg leave respectfully to submit it to your candid consideration whether such a union of forces is not devoutly to be desired.

It has been a source of peculiar pleasure to us to be favored with a visit from your deputation in the person of our old and esteemed friend, Rev. J. H. Robinson. He was cordially received, and ample facilities afforded him for presenting your views, advocating your claims and representing

your interests. It is also exceedingly gratifying to us to learn that Bro. Robinson proposes remaining among us to spend the remnant of his days. We fervently pray that his declining years may be crowned with many blessings from above, and that his sun may set amid the advancing glories of heaven.

We would also express our appreciation of the eminent pulpit and general administrative abilities of our esteemed General Superintendent, Rev. J. Medicraft. To his wise counsels we have often been indebted in being able to arrive at just conclusions in many important matters; and we pray God may long spare him to the Church and make use of his illustrious talents in leading souls to himself.

It is our painful duty to record the death, during the past year, of our esteemed and beloved President, Rev. Samuel Bradley Gundy, who fell at his post, in the prime of his life, surrounded with honors, and is mourned by a stricken wife and family, besides a large circle of sorrowing friends. The event was a sudden and painful visitation, and is deeply felt throughout the Connexion. We bespeak your sympathies and prayers for the bereaved widow and orphans, who have thus been bereft of an affectionate husband and tender father.

We have also to put on record the death of the Rev. John Wilkinson, one of the oldest and most honored of our ministers. Being one of the Canadian Wesleyan Methodists who joined the Methodist New Connexion in forming our present body, he was in the mission field when privation and peculiar hardship were the lot of our missionaries. But he endured hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, and also won for himself the highest honors the Church could confer upon him. After taking a superannuated relation to the Conference, he continued to labor to the full extent of his ability, even to the last. In his death we have lost an able minister and faithful friend, and we pray that his mantle may fall upon our ministry and the Connexion at large.

One of our most honored laymen, Hon. Oliver Blake, who has frequently been a member of this Conference, and at the time of his death was a member of the Executive Committee, has also during the year gone to his reward. Thus God buries his workmen, but carries on His work.

During the present session of Conference several promising young men have been received on probation. Several brethren of the ministry, however, have been compelled, from failing health, to ask for a superannuated relation, thus leaving our ranks about the same as last year.

The sittings of our present Conference have been characterized by a spirit of concord and brotherly love. Though we were apprehensive of heated, if not bitter debates, yet we are gratified to be able to state that in this our apprehensions have not been realized. The amicable settlement of the Union question being brought about by the efforts of a large and influential committee, their findings were unanimously adopted by the Conference without discussion, the warmth of feeling which might have been enkindled being thereby avoided.

In conclusion, dear fathers and brethren, we desire to commend you to God, and to the Word of His grace, earnestly praying that He may shower upon you copiously the choicest blessings of an unfailing covenant, and when life's labors shall end that you may rest in His presence, where there is fullness of joy and pleasure for evermore. We also bespeak an interest in your prayers for our own peace and prosperity on earth, and our final recognition and reception in heaven.

DAVID SAVAGE, President.
ROBERT IRWIN, Secretary.

Milton, May 26th, 1874.

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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Cavan, $0.53; Manvers, $6.53; Clarke, $1; Omemee $4.05; Laxton, $4.50....	$25 61	Balance from last year....	47 34
Cayuga, $1.25; Dunnville, $1; Haldimand, $1.75; Caledonia, $1.50; St. Catharines, $1.50; Pelham, $1.05	8 05	Metropolitan Building Society on Caledonia and Dunnville Chapel	252 00
Goderich, $1.50; Goderich South, $1.12; Ainleyville, $2.28; Bodmin, $1.80; Harriston, $1.50; Howick, $3.46; Ashfield, $2.30.....	13 96	Temperance Street Church	70 00
Hamilton, $1.05; Ancaster, $6.22; Waterdown, $5.91; Barton, $4; Galt, $2; Hespeler, $4.39	23 57	Grant to Vernon parsonage	10 00
Lansdown, $4; North Augusta, $2.75; Oxford, $3.45; Crosby, $2.09; Kitley, 98c.....	13 24	Grant to Colchester parsonage	25 00
London, $7.75; London N., $2.75; Melbourne, $6.80; Howard, $4.25; Talbotville, $1.92; St. Mary's, $3 27; Adelaide, $2; Ingersoll, $2.75; Colchester, 56c	32 02	Grant to Meaford parsonage	25 00
Milton, $4; Erin, $1.96; Trafalgar, 52c; Nassagaweya, $5.50; Nelson, $2.93	14 91	Grant to Meaford do.....	50 00
Mount Forest, $1; Durham, $1.80; Walkerton, $2.25; Artemesia, $1; Vesta, $1.79		Grant to Norland Church..	25 00
Lavender, $1; Egremont, $1.89.....	10 73	Grant to Norwich Church and parsonage.....	50 00
Montreal, $7.90; Dunham, $1.18; Bolton, 91c; Brome, $2.14; Knowlton, 75c.....	12 88	Grant to Zion Church, Pelham Ct	50 00
Owen Sound, $1 10; Holland, 70c; Holland East, $2; Arran, $2.05; Meaford, $1.....	6 85	Grant to Zion Trustees....	50 00
Milford, ——; Bay of Quinte, $1 72; Hillier, 85c	2 57	Grant to Walsingham Church	50 00
Toronto, $13.69; Aurora, $2.20; Brock, $6; Pennville, $2.20	24 00	Grant to Kerwood two Churches	150 00
Waterford, $6.91; Aylmer, $2; Middleton, $3 60; Bayham, 83c; Dereham, $4.12; Norwich, $2; Simcoe, $1.46	20 92	Expenses of Deputation to Stayner, etc.....	8 47
From estate of the late J. Youart.....	4 00	Share of Postages.....	5 00
		Insurances	79 00
		Interest on Loan to Printing Office	47 00
		Interest on Loan from Preachers' Fund (1,954.57)	156 36
		Interest on Southampton Chapel Loan.....	29 00
			$1,180 35

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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES CONTINUED.	
From estate of the late J. Youart for 1872 (omitted)	$ 4 00		
English Grant	600 00		
Grant from Mission Fund	120 00		
Proceeds of sale of Dundas property	191 00		
Balance due Mission Fund	52 95		
	$1,180 35		$1,180 35

GENERAL STATEMENT OF THE CONTINGENT FUND.

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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Cavan, $11.29; Manvers, $8.45; Clarke, $1.00; Omemee, $4.05; Laxton, $4.50	$ 29 29	Balance from last year	$ 396 15
Cayuga, $1.80; Dunnville, $2.25; Haldimand, $1.65; Caledonia, $1.75; St. Catharines, $6.00; Pelham, $1.05	14 50	Grants for Furniture:	
Goderich, $2.00; Goderich South, $1.12; Ainleyville, $3.35; Bodmin, $1.26; Harriston, $2; Howick, $4.34; Ashfield, $2.50;	16 55	Meaford	15 00
Hamilton, $1.32; Ancaster, $5.46; Waterdown, $5.41; Barton, $5.10; Galt, $1.70; Hespeler, $5.35	24 34	Bolton	15 00
Lansdown, $4.00; North Augusta, $2.81; Oxford, $3; Crosby, $2.35; Kitley, $2.50	14 66	Travelling Expenses:	
London, $8.80; London North, $2.25; Melbourne, $6.29; Howard, $3; Talbotville, $3.50; St. Marys, $3.48; Adelaide, $1.25; Ingersoll, $3.88; Colchester, 56c	33 01	W. Philp to Oxford	8 00
Milton, $5; Erin, $2.55; Trafalgar, $2.27; Nassagaweya, $1.50; Nelson, $8	19 32	W. Philp to N. Augusta	20 00
Mount Forest, $1.30; Durham, $2.90; Walkerton, $1.81; Artemesia, $2; Vesta, $2.85; Lavender, $2; Egremont, $2.30	15 16	A. Glazier to Meaford	15 00
		T. Rennie to Kitley	10 00
		A. McKillop to Vernon	20 00
		J. A. Andrews to Laxton	8 00
		H. Wilkinson to Cavan	10 00
		J. Bell to N. Augusta	10 00
		Financial Agent	25 00
Carried forward	$ 166 83	Carried forward	$ 552 15

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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Brought up.....	$ 166 83	Brought forward....	$552 15
Montreal, $4.25; Dunham, $2.31; Bolton, $2.54; Brome, $1.78; Knowlton, $1.03.....	11 91		
Owen Sound, $2.18; Holland, $2.27; Holland East, $2.92; Arran, $2.50; Meaford, $1.50	11 37		
Milford, $2; Bay of Quinte, $1.10; Hillier, $1.50....	5 60		
Toronto, $7.65; Aurora, $3.54; Brock, $6.40; Pennville, $3.....	20 59		
Waterford, $5.38; Aylmer, $4; Middleton, $3.25; Bayham, $1.54; Dereham, $4.25; Norwich, $2.25; Simcoe, $1.27.....	22 34		
Balance carried to Mission Fund	313 51		
	$552 15		$ 552 15

GENERAL STATEMENT OF THE PATERNAL FUND.

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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Cavan, $11.02; Manvers, $25.50; Clarke, $3; Omemee, $16.40; Laxton, $3.23	$ 59 15	Balance from last year....	$ 15 86
		J Follick.....	8 86
Cayuga, $1.74; Dunnville, $3.30; Haldimand, $3.30; Caledonia, $3.10; St. Catharines, $1.98; Pelham, $1.10.....	14 52	C. Shaw.....	14 76
		J Walker.....	15 75
		W. Williams.....	22 23
		J. Elliott.....	7 87
		R. Walker.....	12 12
Goderich, $2.13; Goderich South, $1.03; Ainleyville, $2.66; Bodmin, $4.40; Harriston, $2.75; Howick, $3.76; Ashfield, $2.37....	16 20	W. Birks.....	8 86
		J. H. Fowler.....	14 16
		T. Fox.....	10 11
		W. Preston.....	6 89
		E. Kershaw.....	25 26
Hamilton, $2.40; Ancaster, $5.61; Waterdown, $8.50; Barton, $3.83; Hespeler, $12.90.....	33 24	R. N. Hill.....	12 00
		G. Richardson.....	5 91
		J. R. Gundy.....	5 91
		J. C. Seymour.....	8 86
		J. Fowkes.....	3 94
		A. Glazier.....	1 97
		W. W. Graham.....	1 97
Lansdown, $6 65; North Augusta, $1.97; Oxford, $7; Crosby, $4.50; Kitley, $1.10.....	21 22	F. E. Nugent.....	1 97
		T. L. McCutcheon.....	2 03
		W. Henderson.....	3 94
		P W. Davis.....	3 03
		J. W. Cathcart.....	1 97
		W Philp.....	7 03
Carried forward.....	$ 144 33	Carried forward.....	$ 224 26

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RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES	
Brought up.....	$ 144 33	Brought up.....	$ 224 26
London, 21.50; London North, 4.97; Melbourne, $6.28; Howard, $3.75; Talbotville, $4.02; St. Marys, $4.35; Adelaide, $2.50; Ingersoll, $3.67; Colchester, 55c.....	51 59	J Rawson.....	14 77
		E Holmes.....	13 14
		W H Moss.....	3 94
		N A McDiarmid.....	1 97
		G. Jackson.....	5 91
		W. B Danard.....	7 88
		J H Orme.....	5 91
		D Smyth.....	3 94
		J T Pitcher.....	6 06
Milton, $5.55; Erin, $4.50; Trafalgar, $1.37; Nassagaweya, $7; Nelson, $5.86	24 28	T L. Wilkinson.....	7 88
Mount Forest, $9 10; Durham, $2.36; Walkerton, $2.11; Artemesia, $3; Vesta, $7.80; Lavender, $2.40; Egremont, $2.31..	29 08	G Buggin.....	20 16
		J. Baskerville.....	10 83
		F. G Weaver.....	9 84
		S. F. Depew.....	2 95
		J. Gundy.....	5 91
Montreal, $9.30; Dunham, $2.83; Bolton, $3.18; Brome, $2.38; Knowlton, $4.....	21 69	G. Brown.....	7 87
		F Haynes.....	10 83
		J O'Hara.....	1 97
		J Kay.....	7 88
Owen Sound, $1.24; Holland, $3.97; Holland East, $4; Arran, $3.07; Meaford, $1.....	13 28	J. McAlister.....	7 88
		J Caswell.....	19 59
		R. J. Taylor.....	1 97
		T. Rennie.....	5 91
Milford, $2; Bay of Quinte, $2.35; Hillier, $1.....	5 35	D. Savage.....	2 95
		W. Willimott.....	8 86
Toronto, $8.48; Aurora, $4.30; Brock, $14.50; Pennville, $2.50..	29 78	T M Jefferis.....	6 89
		W. McCann.....	3 94
		T. Jackson.....	6 89
Waterford, $8.20; Aylmer, $3.50; Middleton, $4.57; Bayham, $1.88; Dereham, $5.04; Norwich, $1.76; Simcoe, $1.21.....	14 46	D D. Rolston.....	26 28
		R. J. Husband.....	1 97
		D Auld.....	6 89
		A M. Delong.....	1 97
		R. Smylie.....	1 97
		W. Hall.....	1 97
From Mission Fund.....	167 74	D Auld, for last year.....	6 00
		Mrs. S. B. Gundy.....	15 75
	$ 501 58		$ 501 58

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CIRCUIT COLLECTIONS.

CAVAN DISTRICT. Cavan, 11.63; Manvers, $10; Clarke, $2.53; Omemee, $4.85; Laxton, $4.05....$	33 66		
CAYUGA DISTRICT. Cayuga, $1 30; Dunnville, $2.00; Haldimand, $2; Caledonia, $1 40; St Catharines, $3 50.....	10 20		
GODERICH DISTRICT Goderich, $2 05; Goderich South, $1 37; Ainleyville, $3 12; Bodmin, $3 04; Harriston, $4.50; Howick, $5.47; Ashfield, 2 08.....	21 63		
HAMILTON DISTRICT. Hamilton, $2 13; Ancaster, $5 43; Waterdown, $9.18; Barton, $5; Galt, $2.80; Hespeler, $4 54.....	29 03		
LEEDS DISTRICT. Lansdown, $6 50; North Augusta, $2 45; Oxford, $3; Crosby, $3 22; Kitley, $1.10.....	16 27		
LONDON DISTRICT. London, $18.10; London North, $4; Melbourne, $8 79; Howard, $3 18; Talbotville, $5.50; St. Mary's, $3.40; Adelaide, $1.50; Ingersoll, $4.38; Colchester, 56c.....	49 41		
MILTON DISTRICT. Milton, $5; Erin, $5 20; Trafalgar, $1 26; Nassagaweya, $7.15; Nelson, $7.65....	26 26		
MOUNT FOREST DISTRICT. Mount Forest, $1 99; Durham, $3 00; Walkerton, $2.23; Artemesia and Osprey, $2.25; Vesta, $3.97; Lavender, $1.25; Egremont, $1 42.....	16 11		
MONTREAL DISTRICT Montreal, $4 20; Dunham, $1 11; Bolton, $1 60; Brome, $2.48; Knowlton, $1.03.....	10 42		
OWEN SOUND DISTRICT. Owen Sound, $3 75; Holland, $2.82; Holland East, $3 25; Arran, $4..	13 82		
Carried forward....$	226 86	Carried forward....$	2613 12

Rev. James Seymour....$	50 00
" James Bell.....	100 00
" John Wilkinson.....	100 00
" Thomas Ogden.....	80 00
" J. C. Warren.....	60 00
" J Histon.....	80 00
" Thomas Rump	48 00
" Elias Williams.....	116 00
Mrs Hales..	40 00
Mrs Gundy, sen.....	42 00
Mrs. Kershaw.....	42 00
Mrs. Kershaw's children..	36 00
Funeral expenses of Rev. S. B Gundy.....	20 00
Funeral expenses of Rev. J Wilkinson.....	20 00
Funeral expenses of Mrs. Wilkinson.....	20 00
34 copies Minutes of Conference for subscribers..	3 40
Postage on same.....	50
Harris, Magee & Campbell, for deeds, &c.....	9 54
Refunded Rev. E Williams last year's subscription..	5 00
Manager's claim.....	50 00
P. O Orders.....	2 55
Registered letters	20
Cash.....	1687 93

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Brought up.....$	226 86	Brought up.....$	2613 12
PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT, Milford, $3.00; Bay of Quinte, $1 41; Hillier, $1	5 41		
TORONTO DISTRICT. Toronto, $7 02; Aurora, $5.80; Pennville, $3.50; Brock, $9.....	25 32		
WATERFORD DISTRICT. Waterford, $6 51; Aylmer, $4; Middleton, $4 92; Bayham, $1.26; Dereham, $7.81; Norwich, $2 28; Simcoe, 90c.....	27 68		
EXTRA COLLECTIONS. Manvers, $2 63; Omemee, $2.50; Melbourne, $2 21	7 34		
LAYMEN'S SUBSCRIPTIONS. Jacob Cummins, jun., $1; J Zimmerman, $1; G Corneil, $1; C Corneil, $1; G. Stranger, $2; Mrs. Stranger, $2 (The remainder are from Montreal) R. Green, $1; John Boner, $1; Wm Tees, $1; John Tees, $1; D. McCunn, $1; W D. Pettegrew, $1; D. T. Tees, $5; R. Stavely, $1; D Tees, $1; J. Phillips, 50c; R. Irwin, $2; John Tees, $2; J. A. Bell, $1; Mr. Shufelt, $1; J. McCunn, $1; — Vanalstyne, $1; J. West, $1; E. Rennick, $1; Mrs. Dunbar, $1; J. D. Barrett, $1; R. Parker, $1	34 50		
MINISTERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS AND PAYMENTS			
Rev. Geo. Richardson....	5 00		
" Wm. McCann.....	5 00		
" N. A. McDiarmid....	5 00		
do Interest	1 44		
" E. Holmes.....	5 00		
" N. B. Topping.....	4 32		
" Joseph Philp.....	4 00		
" J. C Seymour.....	5 00		
" J. O'Hara.....	10 40		
" R Walker	5 00		
" C Tecter.....	4 00		
" J. Caswell.....	7 80		
" A. Clarke.....	5 00		
" James Gundy.....	6 56		
" J. McAlister.....	5 00		
Carried forward....$	404 63	Carried forward.....$	2613 12

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Brought up	$ 404 63	Brought up	$2613 12
Rev. J. Shuttleworth	5 00		
" Wm. Williams	5 00		
" Thomas Jackson	5 54		
" J. H Fowler	9 00		
" J. H Orme	5 00		
" J Follick	11 03		
" Thomas Fox	13 84		
do back payments	110 50		
" Wm Henderson	68 72		
" John Kay	9 00		
" W Willimot	5 00		
" R Smylie	5 00		
" J. R. Gundy	6 82		
" E Kershaw	7 56		
" J Rawson	5 00		
" T. L McCutcheon	5 00		
" Wm. Birks	10 85		
" W Preston	5 00		
" P. W Davies	5 00		
" D. Savage	12 45		
" D D Rolston	13 48		
" J Baskerville	5 00		
do part of interest	1 60		
" Wm. Tindall	5 00		
" Richard Henders	8 32		
" Thomas Orme	4 00		
OTHER SOURCES.			
Cash at beginning of last year	1073 23		
Interest on mortgage on London Chapel	96 00		
Instalment on Mortimer's mortgage	120 00		
Interest on same	28 80		
Interest on loan to Southampton Chapel	29 00		
Interest on balance over what Mortimer's mortgage covers on printing office	47 00		
Interest on loan to Mission Fund	120 00		
Interest on loan to Chapel Fund	156 37		
Interest on loan to late Connexional Treasurer	108 00		
Interest on loan to "Witness"	28 00		
Interest on deposits in Canadian Bank of Commerce	5 00		
Interest on deposits in Ontario S and Investment Society	47 00		
Carried forward	$2613 12	Carried forward	$2613 12

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Brought up.....	$2613 12	Brought up.....	$2613 12
Mr. H. Powell.....	1 00	Cash on hand from adjourned Conference	875 46
Meaford collection.....	2 00		
Rev John Fowkes.....	10 00		
Rev. J White	140 68		
" Thomas Hamilton...	140 68		
" J. G. Fallis	8 66		
" R. J. Tyler.....	5 00		
" C Shaw.....	5 00		
" R. Johnston.....	47 32		
" R. J. Husband.....	16 23		
" H Wilkinson.....	6 60		
" J. R. Kay.....	4 00		
" Wm. Philp	16 23		
" J. J A. Lever.....	30 00		
" J Shuttleworth.....	8 64		
" T. L. Wilkinson.....	89 76		
" O Whitcomb.....	285 16		
" J. B. Goodspeed.....	58 15		
Total.....	$3488 58		$3488 58

GEORGE RICHARDSON, Manager.

WATERDOWN, August 15, 1874.

CONNEXIONAL INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNT.

Loaned by Mrs Eveliegh (Interest at 8 per cent. due Jan 31)	$ 400 00	Brought up.....	$ 3150 00
Loaned by Rev J C. Warren, (Interest at 8 per cent due June).....	350 00	Loaned by S. P A Society as under:	
Loaned by Rev Elias Williams, (Interest at 8 per cent due June)....	500 00	To the Chapel Fund, (Interest at 8 per cent. due June).....	1,954 57
Loaned by Rev. John Histon, (Interest at 8 per cent. due June).....	550 00	Printing Office loan, (Interest at 8 per cent. due June).....	595 00
Loaned by Rev Jno Histon, (Interest at 8 per cent. due June).....	250 00	Southampton loan, (Interest at 8 per cent. due June).....	370 00
Loaned by Rev. Calvin Shaw, (Interest at 8 per cent. due June).....	300 00	To the Mission Fund, (Interest at 8 per cent. due June) ...	1,500 00
Loaned by Rev T. M. Jefferis, (Interest at 8 per cent due June).....	700 00	To the Mission Fund, 2nd loan, (Interest at 8 per cent due June,	1,350 00
Loaned by Rev. W Williams, (Interest at 8 per cent due June).....	100 00	Promissory Note by Rev. D. Savage and Mr. R. Irwin.....	1,400 00
Carried forward...	$ 3150 00		$10,319

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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Cavan, $10 34; Manvers, $11 38; Clarke, $1 50; Omemee, $5	$ 28 22	Remitted to the English Treasurer, April 1st, 1874	$336 00
Caledonia, $1 25; St. Catharines, 90	2 15		
Goderich, $1.43; Ainleyville, $3 91; Bodmin, $7.36; Harriston, $2	14 70		
Hamilton, $6; Ancaster, $6.05; Waterdown, $11 38; Hespeler, $6	29 43		
Lansdown, $5; Oxford, $3.25; Crosby, $4	12 25		
London North, $2 56; Melbourne, $7.23; Howard, $3; Talbotville, $2 90; Ingersoll, $3 15	18 84		
Milton, $5; Erin, $2 30; Trafalgar, $2 39; Nelson, $15; Nassagaweya, $10	34 69		
Durham, $3; Walkerton, $2.54; Artemesia, $1 50; Vesta, $4; Lavender, $1 10; Egremont, $2	14 14		
Brome, $1.25; Knowlton, $1	2 25		
Owen Sound, $1 10; Holland, $2.50; Holland East, $4; Arran, $3 50; Meaford, $1	12 10		
Milford, $3; Bay of Quinte, $3; Hillier, $1 25	7 25		
Toronto, $6 66; Spadina, $2 10; Brock, $6 43	15 19		
Waterford, $9 25; Aylmer, $2 50; Middleton, $3.06; Dereham, $6	20 81		
Rev. W Philp	5 00		
Rev. John Elliott	1 00		
R. Burt, Esq	4 00		
Mr. Inksetter	1 00		
John Little	5 00		
East Bolton, per Rev. A. M. Delong	2 00		
From Mission Fund	89 98		
Aurora Circuit	16 00		
	$336 00		$336 00

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CAVAN DISTRICT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Cavan	$ 171 49	Cavan	$ 60 02
Manvers	323 27	Manvers	113 15
Clarke	70 00	Clarke	70 00
Omemee	138 90	Omemee	205 01
Laxton	74 53	Laxton	74 53
	$ 778 19		$ 522 71

CAYUGA DISTRICT.

Cayuga	$ 61 22	Cayuga	$ 145 10
Dunnville	76 55	Dunnville	168 90
Haldimand	65 22	Haldimand	58 70
Caledonia	44 00	Caledonia	129 60
St Catharines	80 57	St Catharines	77 92
Pelham	52 43	Pelham	46 19
	$ 385 99		$ 626 41

GODERICH DISTRICT.

Goderich	$ 101 04	Goderich	$ 301 04
Goderich South	147 00	Goderich South	152 30
Ainleyville	62 39	Ainleyville	49 92
Bodmin	68 00	Bodmin	130 80
Harriston	90 12	Harriston	72 12
Howick	150 00	Howick	90 00
Ashfield	100 00	Ashfield	140 00
	$ 718 55		$ 936 18

HAMILTON DISTRICT.

Hamilton	$ 54 00	Hamilton	$ 394 00
Ancaster	141 00	Ancaster	42 37
Waterdown	97 04	Waterdown	.. ..
Barton	41 50	Barton	.. ..
Galt	40 00	Galt	140 00
Hespeler	90 73	Hespeler	89 82
	$ 464 57		$ 666 19

LEEDS DISTRICT.

Lansdown	$ 186 00	Lansdown	$ 170 00
North Augusta	96 00	North Augusta	72 00
Oxford	75 62	Oxford	135 50
Crosby	140 00	Crosby	105 00
Kitley	65 96	Kitley	39 58
	$ 563 58		$ 522 28

LONDON DISTRICT.

London	$ 218 00	London	$ 109 00
London North	155 14	London North	93 09
Melbourne	53 92	Melbourne	18 88
Howard	76 52	Howard	208 87
Talbotville	106 79	Talbotville	53 40
St. Mary's	180 00	St. Mary's	90 00
Adelaide	160 00	Adelaide	151 96
Ingersoll	110 60	Ingersoll	99 16
Colchester	28 33	Colchester	168 33
	$1,088 70		$ 992 69

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MILTON DISTRICT.		
Milton	$ 170 00	Milton	$ 102 00
Erin	80 00	Erin	80 00
Trafalgar	72 31	Trafalgar	165 08
Nassagaweya	101 08	Nassagaweya	.. ..
Nelson	113 94	Nelson	.. ..
	$ 537 33		$ 347 08
MOUNT FOREST DISTRICT.		
Mount Forest	$ 102 00	Mount Forest	$ 136 80
Durham	87 22	Durham	119 78
Walkerton	105 10	Walkerton	195 05
Artemesia	101 25	Artemesia	186 25
Vesta	101 00	Vesta	140 95
Lavender	47 26	Lavender	139 90
Egremont	53 74	Egremont	88 37
	$ 597 57		$1,007 10
MONTREAL DISTRICT.		
Montreal	$ 105 00	Montreal	$ .. ..
Dunham	57 80	Dunham	52 02
Bolton	98 72	Bolton	138 85
Brome	11 04	Brome	.. ..
Knowlton	78 60	Knowlton	190 74
	$ 351 16		$ 381 61
OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.		
Owen Sound	$ 91 08	Owen Sound	$ 221 98
Holland	102 96	Holland	146 67
Holland East	100 93	Holland East	150 93
Arran	190 54	Arran	331 49
Meaford	32 59	Meaford	182 59
	$ 518 10		$1032 66
PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.		
Milford	$ 84 00	Milford	$ 105 50
Bay of Quinte	83 64	Bay of Quinte	100 38
Hillier	86 00	Hillier	110 40
	$ 253 64		$ 316 28
TORONTO DISTRICT.		
Toronto	$ 308 07	Toronto	$ 342 27
Aurora	173 63	Aurora	164 95
Brock	217 52	Brock	195 77
Pennville	100 00	Pennville	155 52
Vernon Mission	.. ..	Vernon Mission	280 00
	$ 799 79		$1138 51
WATERFORD DISTRICT.		
Waterford	$ 151 67	Waterford	$ .. ..
Aylmer	80 00	Aylmer	144 00
Middleton	121 04	Middleton	146 84
Bayham	36 50	Bayham	.. ..
Dereham	138 56	Dereham	69 28
Norwich	95 85	Norwich	145 26
Simcoe	45 45	Simcoe	142 73
	$ 669 07		$ 648 11

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RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES	
Brought up.....	$ 144 33	Brought up.....	$ 224 26
London, 21.50; London North, 4.97; Melbourne, $6.28; Howard, $3.75; Talbotville, $4.02; St. Marys, $4.35; Adelaide, $2.50; Ingersoll, $3.67; Colchester, 55c.....	51 59	J Rawson.....	14 77
		E Holmes.....	13 14
		W H Moss.....	3 94
Milton, $5.55; Erin, $4.50; Trafalgar, $1.37; Nassagaweya, $7; Nelson, $5.86	24 28	N A McDiarmid.....	1 97
		G. Jackson.....	5 91
		W. B Danard.....	7 88
Mount Forest, $9.10; Durham, $2.36; Walkerton, $2.11; Artemesia, $3; Vesta, $7.80; Lavender, $2.40; Egremont, $2.31..	29 08	J H Orme.....	5 91
		D Smyth.....	3 94
		J T Pitcher.....	6 06
		T L. Wilkinson.....	7 88
Montreal, $9.30; Dunham, $2.83; Bolton, $3.18; Brome, $2.38; Knowlton, $4.....	21 69	G Buggin.....	20 16
		J. Baskerville.....	10 83
		E G Weaver.....	9 84
		S. F. Depew.....	2 95
Owen Sound, $1.24; Holland, $3.97; Holland East, $4; Arran, $3.07; Meaford, $1.....	13 28	J. Gundy.....	5 91
		G. Brown.....	7 87
		F Haynes.....	10 83
Milford, $2; Bay of Quinte, $2.35; Hillier, $1.....	5 35	J O'Hara.....	1 97
		J Kay.....	7 88
		J. McAlister.....	7 88
Toronto, $8.48; Aurora, $4.30; Brock, $14.50; Pennville, $2.50.....	29 78	J Caswell.....	10 59
		R. J. Taylor.....	1 97
		T. Rennie.....	5 91
Waterford, $8.20; Aylmer, $3.50; Middleton, $4.57; Bayham, $1.88; Dereham, $5.04; Norwich, $1.76; Simcoe, $1.21.....	14 46	D. Savage.....	2 95
		W. Willimott.....	8 86
		T M Jefferis.....	6 89
		W. McCann.....	3 94
		T. Jackson.....	6 89
From Mission Fund.....	167 74	D D. Rolston.....	26 28
		R. J. Husband.....	1 97
		D Auld.....	6 89
		A M. Delong.....	1 97
		R. Smylie.....	1 97
		W. Hall.....	1 97
		D Auld, for last year.....	6 00
		Mrs. S. B. Gundy.....	15 75
	$ 501 58		$ 501 58

MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE S. P. A. S.,

Held at Milton May 23rd, 1874.

RESOLVED—1. That the Rev. William Birks be Chairman.

2. That the Rev. Thomas Jackson be Secretary.

3. That the Directors' report be received, and considered.

4. That the Revs. E. Holmes and W. Tindall be re-appointed Directors.

5. That the best thanks of the meeting be presented to the Manager of this Society, for his untiring care, and watchfulness in looking after its interests during the past year.

6. That the Rev. George Richardson be re-appointed Manager, with the same allowance as last year.

7. That the eighth clause of the constitution is hereby repealed, so as to allow all the ministerial brethren at present in active service to become members, upon their payment in cash, for the years they have rendered actual service, of the sums annually due, with compound interest thereon at 8 per cent.

8. That the rule requiring $2.50 from each Circuit, in addition to the collections and laymens' subscription, be rescinded.

9. That the best thanks of the meeting be presented to the Directors of this Society, viz.: Revs. W. Tindall, E. Holmes, W. Williams and G. Brown.

10. That the Rev. T. M. Jefferies having been superannuated by the Conference, this meeting recognizes him as a claimant of twenty-six years.

11. That we adjourn to meet at the call of the Chair.

MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING

Held at Milton, May 26th, 1874.

Rev. William Birks in the chair.

Minutes of the former meeting read and approved.

RESOLVED—1. That the Rev. John Walker having been superannuated by the Conference for the ensuing year, he receive the allowance of a twenty years' claimant.

2. That the Rev. Elias Williams having been superannuated by the Conference, he be placed on the books as a twenty-nine years' claimant, and that the manager refund his subscription of last year, and pay his claim on the same, as he was not employed any part of the year.

3. That the unfinished business of the Society be referred to the Directors, and that they have full authority to transact any important business that may require attention during the year.

4. That the books of the Society be kept open during the year to receive persons in our active work who may wish to unite.

5. That persons who enter after the Adjourned Conference shall be charged interest at the usual rate of the Society.

6. That as there are no funds at present available in connection with this Society to meet the exigencies of the present Connexional embarrassment, we cannot accede to the request of the Conference for a fresh loan.

W. BIRKS, Chairman.

THOMAS JACKSON, Secretary.

NAMES OF CLAIMANTS FOR THE PRESENT YEAR.

Revs. J. Seymour, $50; J. Bell, $100; J. Histon, $80; T. Ogden, $80; J. C. Warren, $60; T. Rump, $48; T. M. Jefferies, $104; J. Walker, $80; Elias Williams, $116; Mrs. Hales, $40; Mrs. Gundy, Sen., $42; Mrs. Kershaw, $42; Mrs. Gundy, Jun., $42.

Children of the Rev. J. Walker.—Robert J. T., born May 19th, 1865; Sarah M. L., born November 15th, 1866; Susan E. W., born August 11th, 1868; Alexander, born July 23rd, 1873—$48.

Mrs. Kershaw's.—James, born September 4th, 1862; Samuel J., born September 22nd, 1865; Harriet A., born August 12th, 1869—$36.

Mrs. Gundy's.—Elizabeth Watson, born June 16th, 1864; Martha Jane, born August 6th, 1866; Samuel Bradley, born July 12th, 1868; Hiram Henry Wentworth, born December 16th, 1871—$48.

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE S. A. P. S.,

Held at Milton, August 13th, 1874.

Rev. W. Birks in the Chair, R. T. Jackson, Secretary.

Minutes of former meeting read and approved.

Resolved—1. That in view of the approaching Union of the Methodist New Connexion and the Wesleyan Methodist Churches in the Dominion, this meeting authorizes the Manager and the Directors of the Society to take such steps as may be deemed necessary for the amalgamation of our funds with the Superannuated Ministers' Fund of the Wesleyan Church, and secure legal validity to such amalgamation of the fund in the United Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada.

2. That the case of the Rev. J. H. Robinson be left in the hands of the Manager and the Directors

with the understanding that on the event of his entering the united body in this country, steps shall be taken to secure a transfer of his interests from the English Beneficent Society.

3. That the Manager and Directors of this Society be instructed to bring a statement of the moneys owing the Society before the Conference to know how payments are to be made.

4. That without evidence to the contrary the finding of the Manager be final.

WILLIAM BIRKS, Chairman.

THOMAS JACKSON, Secretary.

THE

Adjourned Conference.

Pursuant to resolution, the Adjourned Conference met in Milton on the 12th of August, 1874, eighty-five members being present. At nine o'clock the President took the chair. The Conference opened by singing, reading the Scriptures and prayer.

RESOLUTIONS :

1. That Bro. W. Latimer be allowed a seat and a vote in this Conference.

2. That owing to the sickness of the Rev. J. T. Pitcher, the Committee on Resolutions consist of Revs. J. Elliott, J. Kay, and Bro. Thos. Mitchell.

The report of the deputation appointed to attend the English Conference was then laid on the table.

COPY OF RESOLUTIONS

PASSED BY THE METHODIST NEW CONNEXION CONFERENCE, HELD AT HANLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND, COMMENCING ON JUNE 15th, 1874.

1. That having received from the Rev. John Medicraft, General Superintendent of our Canadian Mission, and the Rev. J. H. Robinson, the deputation to our late Conference, held at Milton on the 20th of May, a report of the proceedings of the said Conference on the projected union of our Mission with the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada, and having heard from the Rev. W. Williams and R. Wilkes, Esq.,

M. P., the deputation from our Church in Canada, an exposition of the modifications which the Methodist New Connexion and Wesleyan Methodist Conferences, in Canada have made in the 23rd Article of the Basis of Union; it is resolved that this Conference sees no reason to alter the judgment already pronounced on the Basis of Union, as the modifications made herein do not remove the main grounds of our objections to it as set forth in the resolutions of our last Conference.

2. That inasmuch as a large majority of the Quarterly Meetings in Canada have accepted the Basis of Union, and as their deliverances have been ratified and adopted by our Canadian Conference which now asks our formal consent thereto, this Conference in view of these facts deems it undesirable further to oppose the Union, and should the Canadian Conference, adjourned to the call of the President for the final consideration of this question, after receiving our resolutions, resolve to consummate the Union on the terms proposed, this Conference accepts such decision in the hope that the proposed Union will be overruled by the Great Head of the Church to the establishment and extension of liberal Methodism in the Dominion of Canada, and to the advancement of the principles and blessings of the Kingdom of Christ in the world.

3. That the Rev. J. Medicraft be re-called from Canada, and appointed to an English Circuit.

WM. WILSHAW, PRESIDENT.
R. HANKINSON, SECRETARY.

HANLEY, June 22nd, 1874.

COPY OF RESOLUTION

Of Thanks to the Members of the Canadian Deputation to the Hanley Conference of the Methodist New Connexion.

That the very cordial thanks of the Conference be given to the Rev. William Williams and Mr. Robert Wilkes, M. P., for their presence and services as special deputation from our brethren in the Dominion of Canada. The Conference desires to express for them personally the most unfeigned Christian esteem and affection, and also to place on record its high appreciation of the ability and fidelity, as well as calmness and benignity of temper with which they have discharged the difficult and important duties connected with their Mission.

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3. That the following brethren be appointed a committee to consider the above action of the English Conference, and prepare such resolutions as our present circumstances require: Revs. D. Savage, W. Williams, J. Caswell, G. Brown, with Brethren J. Armstrong, I. H. Wills, and R. Wilkes, M. P.

Rev. J. McAllister presented the report of the deputation to the late Wesleyan Conference in Hamilton.

5. That the Rev. R. Johnston be allowed one year for services he rendered to the Connexion while supplying the Simcoe Circuit.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

ON THE ENGLISH RESOLUTION.

That this Conference has listened with much satisfaction to the statements made by our deputation to the English Methodist New Connexion Conference respecting the spirit in which that honored body has met the overtures which during our sessions of May last we commissioned these brethren to submit. We

hereby pnt on record our sense of the faithfulness with which our deputation have fulfilled the delicate and important trust we placed in their hands. We rejoice also to know that our brethren in England have found it consistent with their views of what is due to themselves to accept the action of the Canadian Connexion on the question of the Union of our denomination with that of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada, as that action is found embodied in the expressions of our Quarterly Boards, as also of our Conference at its recent sessions.

We would also recognize the over-ruling of a wise and gracious providence in conducting the complicated negotiations through which we have been led from year to year to a consummation thus satisfactorily reached. This Conference, however, cannot allow the close and cordial relations that have subsisted for so many years between the Parent Methodist New Connexion community in England and ourselves, to come to a close without expressing our profound sense of indebtedness to our brethren there for the large and uninterrupted liberality which has distinguished their policy towards the Canadian Mission, and trust that in the fraternal relations to be continued in the future, we may have frequent opportunities of intercourse as pleasant and mutually profitable as in the past. We would also most fervently pray that the guiding and sustaining presence of our common Father and God may be vouchsafed to His servants in the prosecution of their entire work at home and abroad. Further, be it

Resolved, That as this Conference at its former session held in Milton on May 23, 1874, did agree to adopt the Basis of Union on condition that the Wesleyan Methodist Conference of Canada, the Wesleyan Conference of Eastern British America and the

Methodist New Connexion Conference of England would accept our declaration of Union with the interpretation of Clause 23 in the basis then agreed to, and whereas these conditions have since been fulfilled by all the contracting parties, this Conference hereby declares its final acceptance of the terms of Union between the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada and the Methodist New Connexion Church of Canada; all necessary legal provisions to be determined by the General Conference of the United Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada.

(Signed) DAVID SAVAGE,
JAMES CASWELL,
WM. WILLIAMS,
GEORGE BROWN,
JOHNSTON ARMSTRONG,
ISAAC H. WILLS.

CONFERENCE ROOM, MILTON, August 12th, 1874.

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6. That the above report be received, and the resolutions embodied in it are hereby unanimously adopted by this Conference.

7. That the cordial thanks of this Conference be presented to our Brethren composing the deputation to the Wesleyan Conference for their able and successful management of the negociations with which they were entrusted.

8. Having learned through our deputation to the English Conference that a resolution was passed by that body recalling the Rev. J. Medicraft, his office as Missionary Superintendent having ceased through the changes involved in the Union of this Connexion with the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada; this Conference would therefore express its apprecia-

tion of the very efficient services rendered our Connexion by the Rev. J. Medicraft as General Superintendent of this Mission. We feel it our duty to put on record our sense of Mr. Medicraft's faithfulness in the discharge of his duties as Treasurer of the Connexion and Corresponding Member of the Executive Committee, and also for his efficient and acceptable pulpit and platform labors through our work. In parting with our brother beloved, we humbly pray that the rich blessing of Almighty God may rest upon him and his family, conducting them safely to their native land, guiding and sustaining them in the future of life's journeyings, and that when suffering and toil on earth are ended, we may meet them in the everlasting rest above.

9. This Conference having learned with pleasure that is the intention of the Rev. J. H. Robinson to spend his remaining days in Canada, would cordially welcome him to membership in the now United Connexion, provided he can make arrangements satisfactory to himself, for his transference from the English Conference.

10. That this Conference does hereby express its sympathy with our dear Bro., the Rev. J. T. Pitcher, in the severe and painful illness through which he has been called to pass since our sessions in May, and would pray that he may soon be restored to health and be long preserved to labor as a faithful minister of Jesus Christ.

11. That in accordance with Section 26, Basis of Union, a collection be taken up in all our congregations not later than the last Sabbath of August to defray the expenses of the General Conference, and the sums be immediately afterward remitted to Rev. W. Smyth, of Toronto.

A committee consisting of Revs. W. Williams, J. Kay, and Bro. Johnson Zimmerman having been appointed to ascertain the number of ministers of this Connexion who are members of the Annual Conferences, as provided by the Basis of Union, reported that after a careful examination of the status of all our ministers, the number entitled to membership in the Annual Conferences is *ninety-four*.

12. That the above report be adopted.

A satisfactory statement of the Memorial Fund for the late Rev. S. B. Gundy having been submitted by the Secretary, it was resolved,

13. That the thanks of this Conference be presented to the Memorial Fund Committee, particularly its Secretary and Treasurer, the Rev. T. L. Wilkinson, for the faithful and sucessful manner in which they have discharged their trust.

14. That the best thanks of this Conference be given to the kind people of Milton and vicinity for their liberal hospitality in entertaining this Adjourned Conference, and we express our sincere prayer that they may be abundantly rewarded with the rich blessings of grace, hoping that after this life we may have the happiness of meeting them in the heavenly home.

15. That the Rev. J. Scott be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee with the understanding that they employ him as soon as possible.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE EXAMINING BOARD.

That Bro. J. A. Andrew, of the fourth year, having satisfactorily passed his final examination we recommend the Conference to receive him into full connexion.

That the following brethren having passed satisfactory examinations we recommend the Conference to allow them their standing: First and second years,

W. Philp; second years, P. W. Davis and J. Livingston.

That we regret that the following brethren have not presented themselves for examination, viz: A. McKillop and A. Eley, of the first year, and T. L. McCutcheon, of the second year.

16. That the above report be adopted.

17. That Bro. McKillop be allowed to take two year's examinations at the close of this year.

18. That the Conference disapprove of Bro. Eley's course in not appearing before the Examining Committee, and in not furnishing any information as to the cause of his non-appearance.

19. That the warmest thanks of the Conference are due and are hereby given to R. Wilkes, Esq., M. P., for his considerate kindness in cheerfully foregoing his claim to expenses incurred by his recent visit to the English Conference on our behalf.

20. That the Rev. J. H. Robinson be requested to accept the office of Connexional Treasurer in the place of Rev. J. Medicraft, who returns to England.

21. That the following brethren be appointed Scrutineers to report the ballot for delegates to the General Conference: Revs. W. Smyth and W. Philp, with Messrs. T. Mitchell and A. B. Walker.

On the report of the above committee the following ministers and laymen were declared duly elected as delegates to the General Conference of the United Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada, to be held in Toronto on the 16th day of September, next:

MINISTERS.	P. O.
Rev. D. Savage	London
" J. Caswell	Lucknow
" Wm. Williams	Hespeler
" J. McAllister	Kilbride
" D. D. Rolston	Outram
" H. Wilkinson	Cavan

MINISTERS.	P. O.
Rev. W. Tindall	Owen Sound
" George Brown	Milton
" George Richardson	Waterdown
" J. R. Gundy	Waterford
" E. Holmes	Mount Forest
" E. Kershaw	Gorrie
Alternates.	
" J. C. Seymour	Aurora
" D. M. McKenzie	Lynden

LAYMEN.	P. O
Mr. R. Wilkes, M. P	Toronto
" R. Irwin	Montreal
" B. Hopkins	Brownsville
" T. Mitchell	Hamilton
" J. Zimmerman	Zimmerman
" M. McAllister	Cesarea
" J. Evans	Evelyn
" J. Hampton	Mount Forest
" A. B. Walker	Waterford
" Joseph Brownridge	Hornby
" G. W. Rife	Hespeler
" W. Latimer	Selton
Alternates.	
" J. Armstrong	St. Mary's
" A. Ferguson	Millbrook

22. That the request of the Rev. S. Eddy to attend college for the remainder of this year be granted on the understanding that he be allowed this year on his probation.

23. That in view of all the circumstances of the case Bro. W. Philp be ordained at the close of this Conference for special purposes.

24. That Rev. J. J. A. Lever and W. Tindall, with Bro. Josiah Hampton be a committee to prepare a form of credentials for the delegates to the General Conference, to be printed and duly signed by the Secretary of the Conference and transmitted to said delegates at the earliest moment possible.

25. That this Conference believing that a visit to some of our circuits by our esteemed brother, the Rev.

J. H. Robinson, would not only renew old and valued friendships but be of great service to the general interests of our work, we hereby appoint him as a deputation to visit as many of our circuits, and at as early a day as may meet his convenience.

26. That it is the understanding of this Conference that the Rev. J. H. Robinson be a member of the Executive Committee for the present year, in the place of Rev. J. Medicraft, whose office now lapses.

27. That this Conference expresses sympathy with Rev. J. B. Williams in his continued ill health, and allows him to rest during the present year.

28. That the Executive Committee, with the delegates elected to the General Conference, meet together for consultation on the Tuesday previous to the General Conference, at 2 P. M., in the Temperance Street Church, Toronto.

29. That the Missionary Report in a summarized form be printed this year in connection with the Minutes of Conference.

30. That this Conference places on record its appreciation of the course taken by our dear brethren in Colchester in their so prudently acquiescing with the decision of the Connexional majority in withdrawing further opposition to the Union, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to them through their minister, the Rev. J. Rawson.

31. That we authorize the Rev. J. Follick to sell the Smiths' Fall's and Marlboro' Parsonages under the direction of the Executive Committee, remitting the proceeds to our Connexional Treasurer at as early a day as possible.

32. That the Trustees of the Teeterville Church property and burial ground be authorized to sell the ground in the village of Teeterville for the purpose of purchasing a more eligible site.

33. That the Trustees of the Hamilton Main Street Church be allowed to retain thirteen hundred dollars of the proceeds of sale of said property, for the liquidation of certain debts against the estate, and purchasing of a new site for a Mission Church.

34. That permission be granted to Goderich South Circuit to sell the parsonage property there, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

35. That permission be granted to the Trustees of the Simcoe Church property to sell the same, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

36. Inasmuch as from the present exceptional relations of the Rev. J. Robinson to our work in this country, he can hardly be considered as eligible for election to the General Conference, we would express the hope that he may find it practicable to visit the General Conference in the belief that an opportunity will be offered Mr. Robinson there to make any statement and suggestions which an experience of so many years amongst us will entitle him to offer.

37. That we accept the arrangement made by the Missionary Committee of the appointment of a sub-committee to revise the appropriations for the year; such revisal to be embodied in a circular and forwarded at the earliest possible date to all our Superintendent Ministers. The sub-committee to consist of the President, with Revs. W. Williams, J. McAllister, W. Biiks, and Bros. W. Latimer and G. W. Rife.

38. That the President and Rev. J. McAllister be members of the Transfer Committee of the United Church.

39. That we respectfully suggest to the General Conference the propriety of placing the Chairmen of our Districts on the Stationing Committees of the next Annual Conferences, within whose bounds respectively such Districts may lie.

40. That we comply with the request of the Amabel Mission for permission to apply the rent of the Southampton parsonage towards paying the rent of house in Allanford.

41. That as important provisional arrangements will require to be made during the present year, owing to the exigencies of the Connexional situation, and in order to close up the affairs of our Church, we entrust these matters to the Executive Committee, who are hereby invested with full powers for the fulfillment of this trust.

SUMMARY

OF THE

MISSIONARY REPORT

COLLECTIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

CAVAN DISTRICT.

CAVAN CIRCUIT.

NINTH CONCESSION.

Collected by Misses A. Swain and C. Sutton	$ 18	28

CAVANVILLE.

Collected by Miss C. Fee	30	98

EBENEZER.

Collected by Miss Stewart	21	86

MILLBROOK.

Collected by Miss M. Orr	12	55

ZION.

Collected by (no names given)	13	78

MATCHETT'S.

Collected by Miss Matchett	11	70

SMYTH'S.

Collected by Miss A. Lang	10	95

MOUNT CARMEL.

Collected by Misses Ellis and Shaw	22	40

BEWLEY.

Collected by Misses Sidey and Henry	5	86
" " Armstrong and Sackville	9	73

SOUTH MONAGHAN.

Collected by Miss J. Wood	13	40
Total	$171	49

MANVERS CIRCUIT.

BETHANY.

Collected by Misses M. Fell and E. Strike.....$ 53 44

BRICK CHURCH.

Collected by Misses M. A. Staples and E. Werry..... 35 39

FRANKLIN.

Collected by Misses Mary Wood and Carrie Lee..... .. 42 67

LAKE CHAPEL.

Mary J. Thornton's Card..... 2 75

SEYMOUR'S.

Collected by Misses S. Seymour and J. Hammett..... 12 40

CARMEL.

Collected by Misses E. Phillips and J. Churchward.... 21 43

SALEM.

Collected by Misses E. J. Widders and J. Jackson.... 44 74

PROVIDENCE.

Collected by Misses H. Johnson and L. Staples..... 23 03

JANETVILLE.

Collected by Misses E. Magill, M. Rehill, A. Anderson and S. Maguire..... 37 64

LIFFORD.

Collected by Misses E. Maguire and M. Wilson..... 26 59

GALLOWAY'S.

Collected by Misses Galloway and C. Gallagher..... 10 90

NEWRY.

Collected by Misses J. Philp and L. Henders..... 12 49

Total $323 27

CLARKE CIRCUIT.

KENDALL.

Collected by Mrs. O'Hara and Miss Glass.....$ 34 60

CLARKE.

Collected by Miss Milne..... 21 05

OAK HILL.

Collected by Miss Barkwell and Pascoe..... 8 00

DARLINGTON.

Collected by Miss Holliday	7 00
Total	$ 70 00

OMEMEE CIRCUIT.

OMEMEE.

Collected by Mrs. A. Balfour and Miss M. Windrum	40 32

MIDDLE ROAD.

Collected by Misses M. J. Storey and A. Bailey	17 14

BERNEY'S.

Collected by Misses M. Berney and E. Spence	14 90

MOUNTAIN.

Collected by Misses M. Gibbins and E. Reynolds	20 00

SALEM.

Collected by Misses White and Gartley	25 61

REA'S CHURCH.

Collected by Misses Rea and Corneil	9 64

LODGE ROOM.

Collected by Misses Pogue and Moore	13 30
Total	$140 91

LAXTON MISSION.

VICTORIAVILLE STATION.

Collected by Miss Bacon	12 71

HEAD LAKE.

Collected by Miss Kerr	14 40

OAK HILL.

Collected by Mrs. Coulter and Miss McSweyne	9 00

BETHEL.

Collected by Miss Bacon	4 98

NORLAND.

Collected by Misses M. Perkins and M. Haskins	17 10

LONG POINT.

Collected by Misses Cunningham and Haygarth	16 35
Total	$ 74 54

CAYUGA DISTRICT.

CAYUGA CIRCUIT.

DECEW'S.

Collected by Miss Acheson.....$ 14 85

CAYUGA.

Collected by Mrs. P. W. Whitcomb..... 23 51

BALMORAL.

Collected by Miss Rutherford..... 15 56

ROCKPORT.

Collected by Miss J. Darron..... 7 25

Total .....$ 61 17

DUNNVILLE CIRCUIT.

DUNNVILLE.

Collected by Miss Hopkins and Mrs. Michenor.....$ 36 23

STROMNESS.

Collected by Mrs. Benson..... 13 25

WINDECKER'S.

Collected by Miss Briggs..... 12 75
" Mrs. C. Walton..... 14 32

Total .....$ 76 55

HALDIMAND CIRCUIT.

RAINHAM.

Collected by Misses Fite and Honsberger.....$ 15 97

MARSHALL'S.

Collected by Misses Booth and Gaps..... 6 97

PORT MAITLAND.

Collected by Misses Booth and Waters..... 7 60

SOUTH CAYUGA.

Collected by Misses Lucy and Honsberger..... 12 85

HALDIMAND.

Collected by Misses Albright and Whitten..... 21 83

Total .....$ 65 22

CALEDONIA CIRCUIT.

CALEDONIA.

Collected by Miss Yates.....$ 20 00

ANDERSON'S.

Collected by Miss Mary Senn..... 10 00

BELL'S.

Collected by Mrs. Bundy..... 7 00

YORK.

Master and Miss Friars' cards..... 5 00

Total.....$ 42 00

ST. CATHARINES CIRCUIT.

BETHEL.

Collected by Mrs. S. Davis and Mrs. J. Smith.....$ 19 45

TEMPLE.

Collected by Misses Haines and M. Kelly..... 24 19

HOMER.

Collected by Misses Cushman and Durham..... 27 25

JENKINS.

Collected by Miss M. McEldrey..... 18 08

Total.....$ 88 97

GODERICH DISTRICT.

GODERICH CIRCUIT.

Collected by Mesdames Elliott and Bonnamy.....$ 26 15
Collected by Mrs. Tennington and Miss Dodd..... 50 00
Juvenile offerings..... 24 89

Total.....$101 04

GODERICH SOUTH CIRCUIT.

WILKINSON'S CORNERS.

Collected by Misses Clarke and M. F. McLean.....$ 50 25

BAYFIELD LINE.

Collected by Misses Handley and Anderson..... 36 80

STURDY'S CHURCH.

Collected by Misses Sturdy and Touchburn..... 24 00

ORANGE HALL.

Collected by Misses M. A. Elliott and M. Cox..... 36 80

Total $147 85

AINLEYVILLE CIRCUIT.

AINLEYVILLE.

Collected by Mrs. Wright and M. J. Colvin..... 30 85

M'KILLOPP.

Collected by Misses Dennis and Armstrong..... 15 77

ANGUS'.

Collected by Misses Johnston and Smith..... 15 77

Total .....$ 62 39

BODMIN CIRCUIT.

BETHEL.

Collected by Misses Miller and Nicholson.....$ 19 00

SALEM.

Collected by Miss Scott..... 15 00

HOPE.

Collected by Misses Hunking and Howson..... ..... 12 40

PROVIDENCE.

Collected by Miss Sheridan..... 10 00

EBENEZER.

Collected by Miss Laundy..... 11 60

Total .....$ 68 00

HOWICK CIRCUIT.

GORRIE.

Collected by Mrs. Carson and Mrs. J. A. Strong.....$ 52 97

FORDWICK.

Collected by Misses Downie and Rogers..... 24 72

ZION.

Collected by Misses Harris and Page	8 05
" Mesdames Lucas and Doble	12 05

ORANGE HILL.

Collected by Mrs. Spotton and Miss H. Carruthers	22 58

GALLAGHER'S.

Collected by Misses A. Weir and W. Nichol	17 64
" Miss E J. Higgins and Mrs. T. Higgins,	18 20
Total	$156 21

ASHFIELD CIRCUIT.

HACKETT TOWN.

Collected by Misses E. Blake and E. Maitland	$ 25 84

ZION.

Collected by Misses A. Andrew and E. Hunter	25 61

LUCKNOW.

Collected by Misses S. Webster and M. Johnston	48 55
Total	$100 00

HAMILTON DISTRICT.

HAMILTON CIRCUIT.

Collected by Mesdames Faulkner, W. Hannon and W. Smyth	$ 40 59
Juvenile Cards	18 75
Total	$ 59 34

ANCASTER CIRCUIT.

COPETOWN.

Collected by Misses E. Kitchen and L. Bennett	$ 30 94

LYNDEN.

Collected by Miss D. Vansickle	13 08
" " Hannah Willetts	12 70
" Misses Ritchie and Harris	2 75
Juvenile Collections	13 00

ZION.

Collected by Miss J. Gage	28 78

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Collected by Miss F. Smith.. [illegible]

[illegible]

Collected by Miss Smith.. [illegible]
" Misses Case and Lehman [illegible]

Total ..... [illegible]

WATERLOO'S CIRCUIT.

WATERLOO.

Collected by Misses Hessing and S. Tuck [illegible]
" " J. Flatt and C. Brewer [illegible]

MILLGROVE.

Collected by Miss M. Foster..... 24 75
" " J. Hathaway..... 24 13

TUCK'S CHAPEL.

Collected by Miss Tuck..... 4 17
" Misses Peer and Hemingway..... [illegible]

Total ..... [illegible]

BARTON CIRCUIT.

MOUNTAIN CHAPEL.

Collected by Misses H. Beasley and S. J. Young.....$ 23 96

THIRTY MILE CREEK.

Collected by Mrs. W. Teeter and Miss R. Clendenning, 5 75

MOUNT HOPE.

Collected by Misses L. J. Althouse and A. C. Althouse, 7 20

BARTONVILLE.

Collected by Mrs. A. Bryce..... 4 95

Total .....$ 43 96

HESPELER CIRCUIT.

HESPELER.

Collected by Mrs. G. W. Rife, Misses Duncan, Rose, and Cribbs.....$ 53 32

PRESTON.

Collected by Miss Chaloner..... 8 00
" Mrs. Heagy and Miss Nafe..... 5 75

ELLIS' CHURCH.

Collected by ——— 24 86

Total .....$ 91 93

GALT.

Collected by Mesdames Last and Hay..... 40 00

LEEDS DISTRICT.

LANSDOWN CIRCUIT.

EBENEZER.

Collected by Misses Robinson and McCrea.....$ 20 78

SUMMERHILL.

Collected by Misses Bradley and Rudd..... 32 23

LANSDOWN STATION.

Collected by Miss Bradley..... 31 20

MARBLE ROCK.

Collected by Misses Bradley and Emery..... 20 88

M'CUNE'S.

Collected by Mrs. Buck..... 7 45

BRICK CHURCH.

Collected by ——— 14 30

SPRINGFIELD.

Collected by Misses Parr and Mallory..... 12 68

SELTON.

Collected by Misses McNeil and McCrea..... 10 10

DULCYMAN.

Collected by Misses Webster and Cooke..... 22 58

MALLORYTOWN.

Collected by Mrs. Mallory..... 12 90

Total $186 00

CROSBY CIRCUIT.

CROSBY.

Collected by Miss Alice Barker.....$ 33 68

NEWBORO.

Collected by Mrs. Leggett and Miss A. J. Preston..... 30 00

POOLE'S

Collected by Misses J. Poole and C. Murphy..... 22 04

WESTPORT.

Collected by Miss Ash..... 20 14

DELTA.

Collected by Misses L. Asher and E. Russell..... 11 23

ZION.

Tea meeting..... 23 25

Total.....$140 09

KITLEY CIRCUIT.

FRANKVILLE.

Collected by Mrs. Leggett and Miss M. Montgomery..$ 23 25

NEWBLISS.

Collected by Miss M. A. Luckey..... 7 54

ROBINSON'S.

Collected by Misses Taylor and Smith..... 9 40

SOPER'S.

Collected by Miss E. Graham..... 8 90

PROVIDENCE.

Collected by Mrs. Lang and Miss Knold..... 10 25

GRAVEL PIT.

Collected by Mrs. Riley and Miss S. Riley..... 6 62

Total.....$ 65 96

NORTH AUGUSTA CIRCUIT.

NORTH AUGUSTA.

Collected by Mrs. T. W. Hill and Miss E. A. Baldwin..$ 35 15

HILL'S.

Collected by Misses R. Hill and Cosgrove..... 20 47

MIDDLE BRANCH.

Collected by Misses Brown and Wilmore..... 15 00

KIRKLAND'S.

Collected by Misses Edwards and Gibson..... 13 88

GARRETT'S.

Collected by Misses Cotnam and Phillips..... 11 53

Total .....$ 96 01

OXFORD CIRCUIT.

GROVE CLASS.

Collected by Misses M. Dunlop and E. Clifford.....$ 13 93

STONE SCHOOLHOUSE.

Collected by Misses L. and H. Jamieson..... 13 60

STONE CHURCH.

Collected by Miss M. Adams..... 15 54

BETHEL.

Collected by Misses S. J. McFadden and E. McCrea.... 35 62

Total .....$ 78 69

MELBOURNE CIRCUIT.

MELBOURNE.

Collected by Misses D. Corneil, E. Richards and E. Cooper.....$ 14 87

APPIN.

Collected by Misses M. A. Angus and J. McMaster.... 16 75

BETHEL.

Collected by Miss Towers..... 10 25

BROWN'S.

Collected by Miss M. Brown..... 8 75

UNION.

Collected by ——— 3 30

Total .....$ 53 92

ADELAIDE CIRCUIT.

SECOND LINE.

Collected by Misses M. Dowding and Thomas.....$ 28 61

FOURTH LINE.

Collected by Misses M. Carrol and E. Early..... 10 50
" " E. Patterson and C. Early..... 14 30

EIGHTH LINE.

Collected by Misses McCully and E. Taylor..... 19 65
" " E. Harris and Smitherum..... 16 25

KERWOOD.

Collected by Misses E. A. Early and E. Smitherum..... 29 50

SIXTH LINE.

Collected by Miss M. Coulter..... 10 00

NAPIER.

Collected by Miss A. Lightfoot..... 32 10

Total $160 91

ST. MARY'S CIRCUIT.

ST. MARY'S.

Collected by Mrs. Delamater and Mrs. Foster.....$ 17 83

ZION.

Collected by Misses L. and A. Armstrong..... 33 65

WOODHAM.

Collected by Misses Brethour and Easterbrook..... 37 26

SALEM.

Collected by Misses Kennedy and Kirkby..... 27 44

PROSPECT HILL.

Collected by Misses Rowson and Byfield..... 20 40

THIRD LINE.

Collected by Misses S. Switzer and Shier..... 23 92

BETHEL.

Collected by Misses Crowne and Atwell..... 16 51

PROVIDENCE.

Collected by Misses H. and S. J. Pearne..... 9 16

Total $182 33

TALBOTVILLE CIRCUIT.

TALBOTVILLE.

Collected by Misses Roberts and Branton.....$ 45 31

DORCHESTER.

Collected by Misses Dracon and McGregor..... 29 35

SALEM.

Collected by Misses Orr and Mulligan..... 19 67

DELAWARE.

Collected by Misses Musgrove and Scott..... 12 45

Total $106 78

INGERSOLL CIRCUIT.

INGERSOLL.

Collected by Mesdames Haskitt and Birks .....$ 36 12

CHURCHILL.

Collected by Misses Johnston and Dundas..... 16 30

DEREHAM.

Collected by Misses Dorland and Cooke..... 24 10

CLIPPERTON'S.

Collected by Misses Evans and Morrison..... 19 15

BRICK CHURCH.

Collected by Misses Boyd and Teskey..... 14 45
Sixth Concession..... 2 75

Total $110 17

HOWARD CIRCUIT.

SELTON.

Collected by Mesdames M. & D. Latimer.....$ 20 88

THAMESVILLE.

Collected by E. Preston and S. Dove..... 21 10

BOTANY.

Collected by Misses Simonton and J. Anderson..... 15 07

BRICK CHURCH.

Collected by Misses Fields and Sifton..... 21 04

DEON'S S. H.

Miss Pickard's Card..... 1 93

Total .....$ 80 02

COLCHESTER MISSION.

Collected by Mrs. Rawson and Mrs. Fairfax.....$ 28 32

MILTON DISTRICT.

MILTON CIRCUIT.

MILTON.

Collected by Mesdames Brown and Trick.....$ 68 76

ASHGROVE.

Collected by Misses M. Nixon and B. Wrigglesworth.. 44 13

MOUNTAIN.

Collected by Misses Cartwright and Bell..... 31 70

HORNBY.

Collected by Mrs. Joseph Brownridge..... 31 67

Total $176 26

NASSAGAWEYA CIRCUIT.

EBENEZER EAST.

Collected by Miss Mary Fletcher and Miss Adamson....$ 29 62

EBENEZER WEST.

Collected by Misses Marshall and Lister..... 36 25

UNION.

Collected by Misses Kitching and Watt..... 6 36

BETHEL.

Collected by Misses M. J. Easton and L. Williams..... 28 85

Total $101 08

ERIN CIRCUIT.

GROVE CHURCH.

Collected by Mrs. Everson and Suggett.....$ 24 52
" Miss Richardson..... 18 76

ERIN.

Collected by Mesdames Auld and Conboy..... 15 75

BELLFOUNTAIN.

Collected by ——— 26 22
Juvenile cards..... 4 73

Total .....$ 89 98

TRAFALGAR CIRCUIT.

M'CURDY'S.

Collected by Misses May and Anderson.....$ 28 71

EBENEZER.

Collected by Mrs. Evans..... 16 55

PROVIDENCE.

Collected by Mrs. Clements and Coyne..... 14 07

BLOOMFIELD'S.

Collected by Misses Tuck and Hemstreet..... 6 98
" Miss Cunningham and Mrs. Gundy..... 6 00

Total.....$ 72 31

NELSON CIRCUIT.

KILLRIDE.

Collected by Mesdames R. Simpson and B. Stewart....$ 30 29

BETHESDA.

Collected by Misses G. Reid and H. Dennis..... 22 50
" " M. Zimmerman and H. Gewland.. 16 72

SALEM.

Collected by Misses S. Bridgman and E. Bennett..... 12 25

CARMEL.

Collected by Miss Sophia Cummins..... 14 32

BETHEL.

Collected by Miss Sarah Foster..... 17 86

Total.....$113 94

MOUNT FOREST DISTRICT.

MOUNT FOREST CIRCUIT.

MOUNT FOREST.

Collected by ———— .....$ 66 50

EBENEZER.

Collected by Misses E. Cushing and S. A. Waters..... 36 18

Total.....$102 68

DURHAM CIRCUIT.

DURHAM.

Collected by Mrs. Warner	$	26 30
" Misses Mathews, Scott and Kelsey		8 35

NORMANBY.

Collected by Mrs. Aldrid and Mrs. Grasby		12 05

ZION.

Collected by Misses M. and W. Armstrong		16 53

EBENEZER.

Collected by Misses S. Hooper and S. Tucker		17 65

BETHEL.

Collected by Miss Sarah Banks		11 84
Total	$	92 72

WALKERTON CIRCUIT.

WALKERTON.

Collected by Mrs. Boddy and Miss Firstbrook	$	41 11

GREENOCK.

Collected by Mrs. Chambers and Miss Wallace		29 47

MILDMAY.

Collected by Mrs. Campbell		15 72
" Miss C. Titmus		6 25

CLENDENNING'S.

Collected by Mrs. G. and Miss M. Clendenning		12 55
Total	$	105 10

ARTEMESIA CIRCUIT.

FLESHERTON.

Collected by Miss E. Baskerville	$	5 00
Missionary Box		40 00

OSPREY.

Collected by Misses J. Pool and Cowts		21 00

SALEM.

Collected by Misses Pedler and Carr		10 77

STONE'S.

Collected by Misses Whittaker and Patterson		11 38
" " Thompson and Rogers		6 48

ZION.

Collected by Miss Duncan..... 6 60

Total $101 23

EGREMONT CIRCUIT.

MOUNT GILEAD.

Collected by Misses Hamilton and Doupe .....$ 12 54

MOUNT ZION.

Collected by Miss McLaren..... 15 34

WOODLAND.

Collected by Misses Iles and Wallace..... 16 78

WOODALL'S.

Collected by Misses M. Mason, M. Woodall and Hicks.. 9 08

Total .....$ 53 74

VESTA CIRCUIT.

VESTA.

Collected by Misses J. McCartney and S. A. Thompson, $ 28 59

ZION.

Collected by Miss Mary Leggett..... 26 48

TINDALE'S.

Collected by Miss M. A. Tindale..... 23 41

STEVENS'.

Collected by Master Fred. and Miss E. Stevens..... 6 12

ELDERSLIE.

Collected by Miss Mary Vanslyke..... 9 52
" " E. Crisp and Master H. Colwell..... 7 06

Total $101 18

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

DUNHAM CIRCUIT.

DUNHAM EAST.

Collected by Mesdames R. Wales and C. Inglass.....$ 31 08

SUTTON FLAT.

Collected by Misses E. Wills and A. Bates..... 10 00

DUNHAM CENTRE.

Collected by Misses M. Beattie and J. Leavitt..... 9 58

WEST SUTTON.

Collected by Mrs. H. Woodward..... 5 14

VALE'S.

Collected by Mrs. M. Bates..... 2 00

Total.....$ 57 80

BOLTON CIRCUIT.

PEASLEY'S CORNERS.

Collected by Miss Powell.....$ 26 35
" " Wing..... 5 85

CURRIER'S.

Collected by Miss Currier 25 26

COOLEDGE'S.

Collected by Miss Bullock..... 7 54

JONES'.

Collected by Miss Archelles..... 8 40

BOLTON CENTRE.

Collected by Miss Ives..... 13 54

MASONVILLE.

Collected by Miss Bowen..... 8 26

BLANCHARD'S.

Collected by Mrs. Peabody and Miss McMane..... 16 37

Total.....$111 57

BROME CIRCUIT.

West Brome.....$ 4 60
East Farnham..... 4 00
Berries'..... 2 44

Total.....$ 11 04

OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.

OWEN SOUND CIRCUIT.

OWEN SOUND.

Collected by Mrs. McDougal, Miss McLean and juvenile collectors.....$ 50 03

HARRISON'S.

Collected by Misses H. Campion, S. Hardie and E. McInnes..... 21 32

DAVIS'.

Collected by Misses M. J. Burns and M. Gillespie.... 12 18

GIMBY'S.

Collected by Miss Mary Gimby..... 9 55

Total .....$ 91 08

HOLLAND CIRCUIT.

HOWEY'S.

Collected by Misses Howey and Taylor.....$ 20 11

M'BRIDE'S.

Collected by Misses Brown and Bohan..... 14 83

WILLIAMSFORD.

Collected by Mrs. R. P. Williams and M. Totten..... 18 36

CHATSWORTH.

Collected by Mesdames Crane and McDiarmid..... 31 57

WALKER'S.

Collected by Misses McKee and Jackson..... 18 09

Total $102 96

HOLLAND EAST CIRCUIT.

MOUNT ZION.

ollected by Misses Webster and Williscroft.....$ 21 00

FIFTY S. H. AND M'KINNITS'.

Collected by Misses Wark and McKinnit..... 27 95

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Collected by Miss Matilda Thomas..... 12 25

SEVENTY S. H.

Collected by Miss Jane White..... 17 04

FREEBORNE'S.

Collected by Misses Welsh and Walker..... 25 71

Total $100 93

ARRAN CIRCUIT.

ALLENFORD.

Collected by Mesdames Hamilton and Parker..... $ 20 60

SOUTH SIDE LINE.

Collected by Miss M. Hughes..... 3 11

COUNTY LINE.

Collected by Misses E. J. and G. Laugstaff..... 7 15

WARKS.

Collected by Misses S. Wark and D. Livingstone..... 18 27

FIFTEENTH SIDE LINE.

Collected by Mesdames Webster and Hahn..... 12 47

NORTH DIAGONAL.

Collected by Misses I. J. Wilson and M. A. Foster.... 10 95

ARKWRIGHT.

Collected by Misses E. Glenn, E. J. White, J. Nunning, and M. Underwood..... 42 54

HANBRIDGE'S.

Collected by Misses Hunt and Hanbidge..... 19 08

M'CURDY'S.

Collected by Misses E. Wenary, M. King, G. Nicholson, and Simmons..... 52 33

HEPWORTH.

Collected by Misses Briggs and Harrison..... 3 29

Total $190 54

MEAFORD CIRCUIT.

WHITE'S CHURCH.

Collected by Misses White and Bowes..... $ 13 91

BUMSTEDS' S. H.

Collected by Misses Brown and Rosboro..... 11 61

BRICK S. H.

Collected by Miss Rumlay..... 1 67

GRIERSVILLE TEMPLE.

Collected by Miss Pentland..... 5 40

Total ..... $ 32 59

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.

MILFORD CIRCUIT.

LONG POINT.

Collected by Misses Palmateer and Cannon..... $10 00

SOUTH BAY.

Collected by Miss Brown..... 12 91

WAPOOS.

Collected by Misses Hart and Burns..... 8 35

PLEASANT HARBOR.

Collected by Miss Knox..... 7 00

BLACK CREEK.

Collected by Misses Cardwell and Grimmon..... 11 25

GREEN BUSH.

Collected by Miss Wood..... 8 73

CHERRY VALLEY.

Collected by Miss Huldah Spafford..... 10 11

MILFORD.

Collected by F. W. Jefferis..... 2 15

SALMON POINT.

Collected by Miss Victoria Danard..... 5 10

STONE S. H.

Collected by Miss Cork 12 00

Total ..... $ 87 60

BAY OF QUINTE CIRCUIT.

NORTHPORT.

Collected by Misses Solmes, Reynolds and S. A. Cronk.. $ 28 99

SOLMES'.

Collected by Misses Doney and Vanhorn..... 7 20

BETHESDA.

Collected by Mrs. Bisonday, Morden, Demill and R. Clarke..... 17 65

BRICK S. H.

Collected by Misses M. Gardner and A. Potter..... 11 99

UNION CHURCH.

Collected by Misses Musgrove and Dorland..... 7 40

YEREXVILLE.

Collected by Miss Wright..... 10 41

Total .....$ 83 64

HILLIER CIRCUIT.

MELVILLE.

Collected by Misses Wright, Wicks and Kinnear.....$ 30 94

BLAKELEY'S.

Collected by Miss Martha Blakeley..... 14 00

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Collected by Miss M. A. Geddis..... 28 76

ORSER'S.

Collected by Misses Orser and Shears..... 15 60

Total .....$ 89 30

TORONTO DISTRICT.

TORONTO CIRCUIT.

Collected by the Misses Firstbrook.....$131 75
" Mrs. N. Dickey and Miss Neill..... 68 50
Temperance Street S. S. School collections..... 27 00
Spadina Avenue S. S. School collections..... 80 82

Total $308 07

BROCK CIRCUIT.

GILEAD.

Collected by Misses H. Hart and E. Vallentyne.....$ 61 85

ZION.

Collected by Misses J. McMaster and M. Shire..... 34 49

CANNINGTON.

Collected by Mesdames W. J. King and Sprowl..... 29 50

REACH.

Collected by Misses Harper and Brandon..... 48 92

SUNDERLAND.

Collected by Miss McVaigh..... 16 76

PROVIDENCE.

Collected by Mrs. A. St. John..... 26 00

Total $215 02

AURORA CIRCUIT.

AURORA.

Collected by Misses Long and Laing.....$ 56 50

QUEENSVILLE.

Collected by Misses Kate and Frank Milne..... 26 06

HOLLAND LANDING.

Collected by Mesdames Gillrie and Gray..... 31 41

SHARON.

Collected by Misses Lundy and Brammer..... 34 56

CANE'S.

Collected by Miss Cane..... 15 25

UNION STREET.

Collected by Misses Lepard and Reggitt..... 7 35

Total $171 13

WATERFORD DISTRICT.

WATERFORD CIRCUIT.

WATERFORD.

Collected by Misses Bezzo and C. Haigh.....$ 54 68
" " Tupper and Story..... 11 55
" " Bauslaugh and Wilcox..... 2 50

BETHANY.

Collected by Misses M. Clement and M. Bartholomew.. 25 86

MOUNT HOPE.

Collected by Misses Emma Mason and Eliza Porter.... 18 65

OAKLAND.

Collected by Misses Bannister and Burtch..... 16 33

TEETERVILLE.

Collected by Misses A. Hill and B. Carruthers..... 12 64

MT. ZION.

Collected by Misses Freeman and Hagerman	8 70
Brant Collections	76
Total	$151 67

MIDDLETON CIRCUIT.

SALEM.

Collected by Misses M. Miller and M. Cowan	$ 28 76

DELHI.

Collected by ———	10 60

WINDHAM CENTRE.

Collected by ———	23 00

FORESTVILLE.

Collected by ———	8 45

WALSINGHAM.

Collected by ———	19 68

CRANBROOK.

Collected by ———	10 80

SHAPLEY'S.

Collected by ———	8 60

LYNDOCH.

Collected by ———	6 40

PORTLAND.

Collected by ———	7 00
Total	$123 29

DEREHAM CIRCUIT.

BROWNSVILLE.

Collected by Miss A. Glover	$ 56 87

TILSONBURG.

Collected by Misses Clinton, Armstrong, Tabor, and Mrs. Switzer	52 92

BAYHAM.

Collected by Misses C. Cummer and E. Livingstone	15 75
" " S. Cummer and M. Livingstone	13 20
Total	$915 38

NORWICH CIRCUIT.

OTTERVILLE.

Collected by Misses Smiley and Tisdale.....$ 34 49

LITTLE LAKE.

Collected by Mesdames Jull and Winskill..... 20 08

NEW ROAD.

Collected by Misses Lundy, Anderson and Oatman..... 21 86

SUMMERVILLE.

Collected by Mrs. Wase, Misses Bauslaugh and Addison, 9 85

HOLMES.

Collected by Misses Hilliard and Malcolm..... 10 50

PINE WOODS.

Collected by Mrs. Winskill..... 3 11

Total .....$ 95 89

AYLMER CIRCUIT.

AYLMER.

Collected by Miss White.....$ 44 72

CENTREVILLE.

Collected by Misses Matthews and Hoffman..... 24 00

TRINITY.

Collected by Miss Leeson..... 11 28

Total .....$ 80 00

LONDON CIRCUIT.

LONDON CITY.

Collected by Mrs. Heman and Miss L. Buggin.....$ 66 00
" " J. and E. Plummer..... 53 50
" Mesdames Kitchen and Buggin..... 21 00
" Misses J. and B. Gunn..... 15 0
" Mesdames Pacey and Wrigley..... 12 40
Collections..... 30 00

BYRON.

Collected by Mrs. Herrington and Miss A. Pacey..... 12 25
Collection 3 55

Total $213 75

LONDON NORTH CIRCUIT

BIRR.

Collected by Misses P. Wilson, M. Gillbank, C. Motley and S. Maxwell	$ 30 50

BETHEL.

Collected by Misses A. Hobbs, A. Hughes and Dunn	33 14

BRYANSTON.

Collected by Mrs. Morrow and Miss Stanfield	24 00

BETHESDA.

Collected by Misses Howard and Moore	20 40

ZION.

Collected by Misses McGuffin and Coates	24 00

M'QUEEN'S.

Collected by Misses Howard and Brownlee	16 00
Total	$154 14

PENNVILLE CIRCUIT

TOTTENHAM.

Collected by Misses Williams and Tegart	$ 30 07

PENNVILLE.

Collected by Misses Richardson and Winans	24 30

SCHOMBERG.

Collected by Mrs. Shuttleworth and Miss Black	16 80
" Misses Proctor and McGinnes	11 00
Total	$100 83

HARRISTON CIRCUIT

HARRISTON.

Collected by Mesdames Williamott and Brisbane	$ 19 03

CLIFFORD.

Collected by Mesdames Darnell and Lolree and Miss Jane Rose	25 70

SALEM.

Collected by Misses Cochrane and Halliday	25 35

AYTON.

Collected by Mesdames H. Wright and R. Gardner.... 20 04

Total .....$ 90 12

SIMCOE CIRCUIT.

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OLD WINDHAM.

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BETHLEHEM.

Collected by Misses Leak and Burlingham, and Lizzie Vandusen 18 05

Total .....$ 49 18

PELHAM CIRCUIT.

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UNION.

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ZION.

Collected by Misses S. J. Moore and M. Martin..... 20 30

FENWICK.

Collected by Misses Miller and Kennedy,..... 26 62

Total .....$ 94 33

BAYHAM CIRCUIT

GARNHAM'S CHURCH.

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Collected by Misses Denton and Berry..... $14 58

EDEN.

Collected by Miss S. Allemande..... 5 64

STRAFFORDVILLE.

Collected by Mesdames McCollum and Phillips..... 6 42

BRICK S. H.

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LAVENDER CIRCUIT.

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Collections	30	00

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Collection	3	55
Total	$213	75